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BEATTY—January 13, 1940, at Glenvera Nursing Home, to Beatrice, wife of G. H. Beatty, Borodale, Montenotte Park, Cork, a son.

McKENNA—January 15, 1940, at Hatch Street Nursing Home, to Sally, wife of C. B. McKenna, 6 Sunbury Gardens, Dartry road, a daughter.

NORMAN—January 14, 1940, at "Stella Maris," 17 Earlsfort terrace, to Joyce, wife of Cecil V. Norman, a son.

WARD—January 12, 1940, at 40 Upper Fitzwilliam street, to Mr. and Mrs. J. R. Ward, Staffordstown, Dunboyne, a daughter.

DEATHS.

APLIN—January 15, 1940, at Summerfield, Alverstoke, Hants, Lieutenant-Colonel Stephen Lushington Aplin, C.S.I., formerly Indian Army and Burma Commission, son of the late Vice-Admiral and Mrs. E. D'O. Aplin, aged 76.

BECHER—January 18, 1940, at Bedford Lodge, Dollymount, Martha Ussher, widow of the late E. W. Becher, in her 83rd year. Funeral at Lismore, 12.30 o'clock, to morrow (Saturday). No mourning.

BUTSON—January 18, 1940, at Curraghvarna, Banagher, Jane Gould, wife of the late Major Sinclair Gould Butson, of St. Brendan's, Co. Galway, and daughter of the late Captain Hubert Butler Moore, of Eyrecourt House, Co. Galway. Funeral will leave Banagher on Monday, 22nd, at 2.30 p.m. for Eyrecourt.

COMMINS—January 17, 1940, in Dublin, Helen, daughter of the late Patrick and Mary Commins, Canal House, Athy.

COX-MURCHISON—January 15, 1940 (suddenly), at Brighton, Kenneth Murchison Massie Cox-Murchison, only son of the late Major-General W. H. Cox, R.A., and great nephew of the late Sir Roderick Impey Murchison, Bart., K.C.B., aged 79.

DOLPHIN—January 15, 1940 (suddenly), Captain Desmond FitzHarry Dolphin, R.N. (retired), third son of the late Lieutenant-Colonel Dolphin, R.A., of Oak Lodge, Guildford, and Mrs. Dolphin, of 77 Heene road, Worthing.

DOWLER—January 18, 1940, at her son's residence, Monasterevan, Lillias, widow of the late Thomas Dowler, aged 88. Funeral to Corboy, Edgeworthstown, arriving by motor at 2 p.m., to-day (Friday). "Peace, perfect peace."

FORDE—January 17, 1940, at 25 Kenilworth road, Florence Marion, widow of the late Harold Forde, after a long illness. Funeral private. No mourning, by her special request.

GREEN—January 16, 1940, at Ashfield, Dringhouses, York, Sir Edward Lycett Green, second baronet, in his 80th year.

HALL—January 15, 1940, in Alderney, Channel Islands, Major Herbert Colley Hall (Johnny), beloved husband of Kitty Hall; late of the Nigerian Administrative Service and West African Frontier Force.

KEYS—January 17, 1940, at his residence, 73 Sandymount road, Dublin, Joseph, beloved husband of Catherine Keys. Funeral (private), after 10 o'clock Mass, Star of the Sea Church, Sandymount, this (Friday) morning, to Dean's Grange Cemetery. R.I.P.

McDONOUGH—January 18, 1940, James J. McDonough, late of 125 Mobhi road, Glasnevin, at a Dublin hospital. Deeply regretted. Funeral arrangements later.

POTTS—January 18, 1940, at Millvale House, Newry, Agnes, dearly-beloved wife of Dr. R. M. Potts. House and funeral strictly private.

SANDERSON—January 15, 1940 (suddenly), Henry George Hallam Sanderson, son of the late Rev. Lancelot Sanderson, of Elstree School, Herts, aged 64.

SIMPSON—At her residence, Boolagh House, Kildare, Sophia, youngest daughter of the late Joseph Simpson. Funeral strictly private.

WAGGETT—January 12, 1940, at Worthing, Captain John Leslie Waggett, M.C., late King's Dragoon Guards, only son of the late John Francis Waggett, aged 55 years.

WIGGINS—January 17, 1940 (suddenly), Alfred Henry Wiggins, 24 Temple Park, Blackrock, ninth eldest son of the late Thomas and Elizabeth Wiggins, Killegar, Co. Cavan. Funeral private. No flowers. American papers please copy.

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MR. WILLIAM HARRINGTON

The funeral of Mr. William Harrington, of Cherryfield, Templeogue, Co. Dublin, took place yesterday morning, to Glasnevin Cemetery, after Mass in the Parish Church, Rathfarnham, celebrated by the Rev. H. V. Gill, S.J. (brother-in-law).

Among members of the family present were:—Mrs. J. S. Gill (sister); Miss Eveleen and Miss Joan Harrington, Mrs. John Cooper, and Mrs. Kevin Nowlan (daughters); Mr. Kevin Nowlan (son-in-law); and Mr. John Gould (nephew-in-law).

Mr. John Cooper (son-in-law) was unable to attend.

Among the large congregation were:—The Master of the Hiigh Court, Messrs. A. E. Rex, G. J. Bonass, R. H. Lambert, P. Murphy, J. J. Treacy, James J. McGrane, Dr. W. J. Deegan, J. E. Dargan, D. J. Dargan, the Rev. Laurence F. Kelly, C.C., Rathfarnham; Mr. and Mrs. Reeves Smyth, the Rev. P. D. O'Donoghue, C.C.; Mrs. J. A. Smyth, P. J. Smyth, Mr. and Mrs. Patrick Reeves Smyth, Very Rev. P. McGrath, S.J., Rector, Clongowes Wood College; the Rev. C. R. Browne, Clongowes Wood College; the Rev. W. Dargan, S.J., Clongowes Wood College; the Rev. R. J. Tyndall, S.J., University Hall; the Very Rev. A. Gwynn, S.J., Leeson street; Very Rev. P. Kennedy, S.J., Castle, Rathfarnham; P. Glynn, J. J. L. Murphy, H. J. Campbell, Gerald Horan, Miss E. Quinn, Very Rev. J. Valentine, P.P.; the Rev. P. J. Gleeson, S.J.; the Rev. W. Lyons, S.J.; the Rev. M. J. O'Connor, S.J., Rector, Belvedere College; J. W. Nowlan, Mrs. Nowlan, F. W. Nowlan, John Smith, P. Smith.

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The prayers at the graveside were recited by the Rev. H. V. Gill, S.J., assisted by the Rev. L. Kelly, C.C., Rathfarnham, and Rev. P. D. O'Donoghue, C.C., Rathfarnham.

OBITUARY

THE REV. HENRY CHESTER BROWNE

The Rev. Henry Chester Browne, of 6 Hatch street, Dublin, who died in the Royal City of Dublin Hosp.tal on Friday last, was educated at Trinity College, Dublin. He obtained his B.A. degree in 1889, and two years later was ordained deacon. He became curate of Kilmoremoy Counties Mayo and Sligo, and in 1894 returned to Dublin as curate of St. Stephen's. In 1903 he was appointed to the incumbency of Clonsilla, where he remained until his retirement a short while ago.

MISS LILY WILLIAMS, A.R.H.A.,

the death of Miss Lily Williams, A.R.H.A., has caused much regret. She was the eldest surviving daughter of the late Mr. W. H. Wilkinson Williams. A painter in oils of marked merit, she early found a place in the art world, and in due time became an Associate of the Royal Hibernian Academy. Miss Williams had a charming personality, and the many pupils who passed through her hands had reason to be grateful to her for her conscientious guidance. Among students who enjoyed her helpful interest were Miss Mainie Jellett and Miss Dorothy Blackham. Miss Williams had a facile brush in water-colour landscape, but her *metier* was portraiture in oils. She painted a great many people prominent in literary and artistic, and even in political circles. A friend of President Arthur Griffith, she shared deeply his sympathies and hopes in the early Sinn Fein movement. James Stephens also was among her friends. An excellent portrait of Arthur Griffith by Miss Williams was greatly admired.

LAMOND RECITALS AT R.D.S.

The recitals at the Royal Dublin Society on Monday afternoon and evening next are being eagerly looked forward to by music lovers, as the artiste is the famous pianist, Lamond.

Born in Scotland, Frederic Lamond's musical ability became apparent at an early age, and when he was fourteen he was sent to Frankfort to study at the Raff Conservatorium Here he pursued his pianoforte studies under Max Schwarz and, later, under Von Bulow and Liszt, and, in addition, studied the violin under Heermann, and composition under Urspruch.

He was seventeen years of age when he gave his first big recital; it took place in Berlin, and his success was instantaneous. Quite apart from the name he has made for himself as a pianist and violinist, he is widely known through his own compositions. He has made Beethoven his especial study, and it is not surprising to find that the works of this master figure prominently in the programmes for Monday.

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IRISH RED CROSS SOCIETY

DUBLIN BRANCH MEETING

The general meeting of the Dublin City and County Branch, Irish Red Cross Society, was held in the Mansion House, Dublin, last night.

The Lord Mayor, Mrs T. Clarke, said that the meeting had been called to elect a committee for the Dublin City and County Branch of the Red Cross, to act until July next. They had elected a provisional committee in November last. They had worked pretty hard, and, considering their short period of office, the results were very flattering. All those present were now members. She congratulated them on joining in such great numbers.

THE REPORT

Miss Brigid O'Mullane, hon. secretary, in her report, announced that after its ten weeks' existence the provisional committee had pleasure in reporting that the membership of the branch had increased from 174 to 937. A sub-section of the Dublin Branch had been organised in the Howth and Sutton area, where Mr. T. Mullen, T.D., was chairman, and Mr. Fintan M. Mallen secretary.

The committee had accepted a generous offer made by Mr. K. G. Besson, Hibernian Hotel, to organise a Red Cross ball, which would be held in the Hibernian Hotel on February 2nd. The Donnybrook Dramatic Society had arranged to present J. B. Priestly's "Laburnum Grove" in the Mansion House Dublin, on February 16th and 17th, in aid of the Red Cross. Many letters had been received from members of the medical profession and nursing profession in Dublin volunteering their services as first-aid lecturers. These offers would be availed of eagerly.

The report was unanimously adopted, on the motion of Mr. Harold McGoff, seconded by Mr. C. Corbally.

NEW COMMITTEE

The following committee was elected:—Mr. Hubert Briscoe, Mr. D. J. Bridgman, Alderman P. S. Doyle, the Lord Mayor, Mrs. T. Clarke, Mr. Frank Fahy, T.D.; Mr. P. Greene, Mr. R. Henderson, Dr. Bouchier Hayes, Mr. J. A. Kenny, Dr. Conor Martin, Very Rev. Canon McMahon, Mr. Alfred McGuigan, Councillor Martin O'Sullivan, Mr. D. M. O'Kelly, Mr. T. D. O'Brien, Mr. J. P. O'Brien, Mr. John J. Sheil, Dr. Stafford Johnson, Mr. Frank Thornton, Mr. B. Senior, Dr. M. S. Walsh.

RENEWED CALL FOR IRISH UNITY

NEWRY MEETING STATEMENTS

FROM OUR CORRESPONDENT.

NEWRY, Thursday.

The Council for Unity, after a meeting in Newry, has issued a statement exhorting the people of the Six Counties to support the principles of national democracy in their continued demand for reunion with their countrymen. It was impossible for any nation to win its freedom or preserve its safety without loyal and steady discipline under the leadership which represents the will of the people.

The ground gained by the Irish people up to the present is, it is stated, held in trust by the national Government in Dublin, which alone is the natural and democratic authority under which future advances can effectively be made. Hopes for future progress and final triumph depend on safeguarding what has been won so far.

The meeting appealed to the Government of the liberated area to summon and to direct the energies of the whole Irish race in a united effort against Partition. It is entirely opposed to our national tradition, it was added, that one section of the country should concentrate on its own affairs while the other section is coerced by a despotism which has its roots in the claim Britain has made, and still makes, to direct the destinies of our whole people.

It must be evident that Partition is the source of unrest, and that while Ireland is divided the task of ensuring peace and order is made extremely difficult.

The meeting declared to the English Government that the responsibility for the sufferings of Ireland, for the present dangerous state of affairs, and for the resentment that exists between the two lands that ought to be good neighbours rests on the undemocratic and unjustifiable denial of the will of the Irish nation to possess its whole national territory. The meeting reminded the British Government and people that any claim to stand for the cause of freedom in Europe was absurd while freedom was denied at its own very doors.

PRO-CATHEDRAL CEREMONIES

The Feast of the Chair of St. Peter at Rome was celebrated by Solemn High Mass preceded by the Office of Terce in the Pro-Cathedral, Dublin, yesterday morning. The Most Rev. Dr. Wall, P.P., V.G., Bishop of Thasos, presided; the celebrant was the Rev. P. O'Flynn, C.C.; the deacon, the Rev. T. F. Menton, Clonliffe; the sub-deacon, the Rev. T. R. Doyle Clonliffe, and the master of ceremonies, the Rev. T. B. Condon, Pro-Cathedral

The members of the Chapter present were: Monsignor Walsh, P.P., V.G., Glasthule; Monsignor Cronin, P.P., V.G., Rathgar; Monsignor Boylan, P.P., V.G., Dun Laoghaire; Monsignor Moloney, P.P., Donnybrook; the Very Rev. M. (Canon) McMahon, P.P., V.F., Clontarf; the Very Rev. P. (Canon) Ryan, P.P., V.F., Clondalkin; the Very Rev J. (Canon) McGuirk, P.P., William street, Dublin; the Very Rev. J. (Canon) Sheehan, P.P., Terenure; the Very Rev. R. (Canon) Fleming, P.P., Rathmines; the Very Rev. J. (Canon) Flood, P.P., St. Paul's, Arran quay, and the Very Rev. (Canon) McGlough, P.P., Dalkey.

The Palestrina Choir, conducted by Dr. Vincent O'Brien, rendered the music of the Mass.

Twelve people were killed and twenty injured in another German rail smash, when a train struck a crowded 'bus near Zittau, Saxony.

PROTEST IN CORK MURDER CHARGE

ALLEGATION ABOUT POLICE

THOMAS McCURTAIN AGAIN REMANDED

FROM OUR CORRESPONDENT.

CORK, Thursday.

AN allegation that defence witnesses had been approached by the police to give statements was made at Cork to-day, when Thomas McCurtain, son of a former Lord Mayor of Cork, was further remanded in custody, charged with the murder of Detective-Officer John Roche, who was shot.

Mr. MacBride, for the defence, had successfully applied for an adjournment, and when Police Superintendent asked for a remand, Mr. MacBride suggested that statements had been sought from his witnesses by a police sergeant.

The Superintendent replied that he was not aware of that.

Mr. MacBride said that the Sergeant had tried to induce two such persons to make statements to him. He protested against this, and requested an assurance that it would not occur during the adjournment.

Mr. MacLoughlin, prosecuting, replied that it was the duty of the police to take statements from anybody in a position to give evidence.

The adojurnment was granted, because Mr. Albert Wood, K.C., who is retained for the defence, has had to proceed to London to appear in the Coventry death sentences appeal.

Precautions were taken to prevent the entry into the Courtroom or its precincts of unauthorised persons. A strong force of Gardai was on duty on all sides of the Courthouse, as well as in the building itself, and the public were not admitted to the Courtroom during the hearing. When the prisoner arrived he was accompanied by a military, as well as a police escort.

MacCurtain took his place in the dock handcuffed to a detective officer.

AN EARLY TRIAL

At the outset Mr MacBride, having stated that Mr. Wood had gone to London, said that it would be unfair to the accused man if, because of an adjournment which was granted to the State last week, he would not be able to have the benefit of Mr. Wood's abilities to-day. In view, furthermore, of the special legislation which was now in force in the country, some very grave matters of constitutional importance might arise in the course of the case. That was why Mr. Wood was anxious to be present in person.

Mr. McLoughlin said that in a case such as that it was advisable in the public interest to have an early trial. It was only right that the public should know that the investigations were completed and that the State counsel were ready to proceed with the trial.

It is also right, he added, that the public should know that when the case is presented there will be clearly a *prima facie* case which will justify the accused being returned for trial.

Mr MacBride—I think that is a most improper remark at this stage, when there is only an application for adjournment being considered.

Mr. McLoughlin—I said a *prima facie* case.

During a subsequent discussion Mr. MacBride said: "I am not a mendicant for case where trial to have this matter cleared up and the accused set at liberty at the earliest possible moment, but we are not anxious to be prejudiced in any way in our trial, and that is why we make this application. Mr. Wood, after due consideration states that in his opinion it is essential for him to be here, and in view of the fact that this trade has already applied for two adjournments he has been facilitated. I think it would be extremely unsatisfactory for them to oppose this application here to-day."

POLICE PROCEDURE

Then Superintendent then made a formal deposition applying for a remand for eight days or sooner in order to facilitate the defence.

Mr. MacBride (cross-examining)—Is there a Sergeant Riordan at present making investigations into this case?

Witness—There is.

Has he, by your instructions or otherwise to your knowledge, approached witnesses for the defence to try to secure statements from them? No, that I am aware of, but he has instructions, and all Guards have instructions, to approach anybody at all, whom they know or receive information, have witnessed the occurrence or any phase of it.

But he has no specific instructions to approach witnesses who have made statements to Mr. Neville (solicitor for the defence)?—No.

Mr. McLoughlin—I understand that your worship is remanding the accused for eight clear days or sooner. My friend does not necessarily say when he will be prepared to go on. If there is a formal remand, my friend can suggest what time Mr. Wood will find it convenient to attend.

Mr. MacBride—I am instructed that two witnesses, or two potential witnesses, who had made statements to Mr. Neville, were approached by a police officer, who is believed to be a sergeant; that they informed the sergeant that they had made statements to Mr. Neville, and if he wished and wanted these statements he could approach Mr. Neville in the matter. My instructions are that the sergeant returned to these witnesses two or three times and said that he had approached Mr. Neville and that Mr. Neville had refused to make these statements available to him. He then tried under which future advances can effectively be made. Hopes for future progress and final triumph depend on safeguarding what has been won so far.

Mr. MacBride—I am sure that is a speech intended to go out to the public.

Mr. MacBride—It is.

POLICE DUTY

Mr. McLoughlin—I have not got any instructions at all, and I have not heard anything at all about the matter, but it is the normal duty of all officers of the law, in connection with any offence, to take statements, or ask for statements or information from any persons whatsoever who may be in a position to give evidence in relation to the case, whether such evidence is in favour or not in favour of the accused. If there is any question at any time of any officer intimidating any witness that evidence can be given in due course by the witness concerned. Apart from that I have never heard of any suggestion such as has been made. I don't think it should have been made until the proper time. It certainly is the duty of the Guards to take statements from anybody who may be in a position to give evidence with regard to the offence or its surrounding circumstances.

Mr. MacBride—My complaint is that the Guards told these witnesses that they (the Guards) had approached Mr. Neville, that Mr. Neville had refused to allow them to see the statements, and that that was an untrue statement. The Guards then proceeded to say that they had a right to take statements from these witnesses when Mr. Neville had refused to give these statements. It is of that that I complain—that the Guards should make such false statements to witnesses in order to try to induce them to make statements to them.

Justice—The matter may arise in evidence.

Mr. MacBride—I merely mention it in order that it should not occur again during the week, because it would be a terribly bad practice if it was allowed to occur.

The accused man was then formally remanded in custody, and the same precautions as were associated with his arrival at the court were repeated when he was conveyed back to Cork Gaol.

Mr. Richard F. McLoughlin, K.C. (instructed by Mr. M. O'Connor, State Soliciter), appeared for the State and Mr. Sean MacBride (instructed by Mr. E. F. Neville, solicitor) for the defence.

Principle Approved.—By eleven votes to eight, Longford County Council approved of the principle of the County Management Bill, appointing a committee, with the law adviser, Mr. F. J. Geary, solicitor, to formulate certain amendments considered desirable. Mr. James Victory T.D., who was present by invitation, said he would support these amendments.

DANCES

BOARD OF WORKS' STAFF

The administrative, executive, clerical and professional departments of the Civil Service were represented at a dance and supper given by the staff of the Office of Public Works in the Gresham Hotel last night. Carnival novelties and numerous spot dances contributed to the gaiety of the function, which was in the hands of a very capable committee, of which the hon. secretaries were Miss Carmel Fanning and Mr. David O'Connor.

Among the guests were:—The Parliamentary Secretary to the Minister for Finance and Mrs. Hugo Flinn, the Parliamentary Secretary to the Minister for Local Government and Public Health and Mrs. Con Ward, Mr. and Mrs. Eamonn Burke, Mr. and Mrs. D. J. Burke and Mrs. Hillery (Miltownmalbay), Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Hehir, Mr. and Mrs. J. P. Conaty, Messrs. W. Carroll, L. Maskell, J. Geoghegan, B. E. Cross, R. Christopher, M. P. Kelly, the Misses B. Durnin, P. Redmond, E. Clancy, E. Boland, E. Keegan, Mrs. Geo. Clancy, Mr. and Mrs. T. P. O'Flynn, Mr. and Mrs. J. P. Doyle, Mr. and Mrs. L. Phillips.

Messrs. J. J. O'Kelly, T. L. Rogan, H. A. De Lacy, Basil Walsh, J. P. Power, M. Mooney, C. Le Fanu, B. Duncan, Noel McMahon, B. Fanning, M. Walls, D. Elliott, L. Barry, J. Duffy, H. Gibson, Shalcott Henry, J. Fairweather, A. Doyle, Ted Murphy, John Rorke, J. C. Sullivane, M. McNamara, M. Dowling, — Hayden, Mr. and Mrs. E. Murphy, Dr. Roche, Messrs. J. Tyrrell, P. Reynolds, J. Aitken, W. H. O'Donnell, S. O'Connor Cox, C. O'Shea, L. O'Gorman, C. Sweeney, P. Daly, B. Connaughton, J. Jordan, P. McCrossan, E. Gormley, D. Costigan, A. Healy, C. Sholdice, — Illingworth, — Joyce, C. Hewson.

The Misses Angela Lawlor, B. Fox, L. Wilcox, A. Gaffney, V. Mereham, B. Houlihan, P. Brennan, G. Keane, C. Nolan, S. and B. Corcoran, E. V. R. Walker, A. Fords, K. Kennan, D. Cunnane, D. Archer, B. Fanning, M. Meehan, S. Donnellon, P. McPhillips, M. and D. Clinton, C. Collins, M. Fitzpatrick, B. Hickey, B. Doran, E. Brown, L. Kettle, B. Doherty, L. D'E. Roe, A. Deasy.

MESSRS. HELY'S STAFF

The staff of Messrs. Hely's, Limited, and their friends assembled at the Metropole Ballroom last night for their annual dance. There were many surprises during the evening, which included a number of handsome gifts as spot prizes, the drawing for a special prize and a pedigree Sealyham puppy. On arrival each lady was presented with a souvenir programme and a gift to mark the occasion. The Metropole Band played excellent music, which added greatly to a most enjoyable evening.

The attendance included:—Mr. G. A. Thompson (chairman and managing director) and Mrs. Thompson, Mrs. Wisdom Hely (director), Mr. A. D. Brewster (director) and Mrs. Brewster, Mr. F. A. Lowe (director), Mr. G. C. M. Thompson (director) and Mrs. Thompson. Mr. and Mrs. M. Wolfe, Mr. W. C. Peterson, Mr. and Mrs. T. J. Morrison, Mr. and Mrs. J. B. Moore, Mr. and Mrs. T. O'Brien, Mr. and Mrs. T. Ward, Mr. and Mrs. A. Kavanagh, Mr. and Mrs. W. Kiernan, Mr. and Mrs. D. P. Luke, Mr. and Mrs. T. Duffe, Mr. and Mrs. J. Cleary, Mr. and Mrs. J. Dempsey, Mr. and Mrs. J. V. Steele, Mr. and Mrs. E. McMahon, Mr. and Mrs. T. Murphy, Mr. and Mrs. P. J. Fanning, Mr. and Mrs. J. Nathan, Mr. and Mrs. Downes.

Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Dixon, Mr. and Mrs. G. J. Beatty, Mr. and Mrs. A. J. Kelly, the Misses L. Roberts, G. Fitzgerald, J. McGrath, J. Glavin, B. Flanagan, M. Metcalfe, B. Dolan, P. Weldon, A. Nugent, E. O'Shea, M. Wolfe, A. A. Byrne, K. McCarthy, E. McCaffrey, K. Casey, E. Gaynor, L. O'Reilly, K. Brown, P. Walsh, N. Dolan, Y. Dolan, E. Dolan, J. Deely, M. Rose, Mr. and Mrs. E. O'Reilly, P. Hayes, B. Bell, N. Benton, R. Nathan, N. Foley, V. Lowe, E. Lowe, T. Collins, V. Harte, L. O'Brien, E. Conlon, B. Moore, K. Roe, E. Downes, E. Rowan, T. Murphy, E. Fitzpatrick, S. Stafford, L. Beatty, M. Clarke, M. Boylan, B. Lynch, P. Collins, P. Hayes, A. McGrane, English, D. Lowry, Martin, N. Warren, A. Barton, H. Brewster, D. Brewster, O. Brewster, E. Lane, T. Roberts, E. Murphy, K. Pollard, N. Reeves, E. O'Carroll, M. Cullen, A. O'Connor, B. O'Carroll, N. Carroll, J. Healy, M. Victory, M. Harris, N. Stacey, B. Flanagan, E. Williams, S. Kane, B. Carroll, N. Brennan, J. Ankers, P. Foley, A. Wigglesworth, K. Crothers, M. Keogh, N. Geraghty, N. Byrne.

Messrs. J. Keevan, L. Kelly, J. Stacey, J. Ankers, D. Tighe, N. M. Kemp, G. D. Brewster, P. Adams, C. Hill, D. Meyer, E. Reeves, J. O'Neill, C. Byrne, D. Lyons, J. Murphy, T. Victory, N. Bennett, J. Sharkey, F. Caldwell, J. Bracken, J. Dempsey, Q. McLeavy, J. V. Steele, B. Beattie, P. Doyle, F. Baird, — Squires, F. McGlynn, H. Bagster, L. Keith, J. Brady, J. J. Devereux, N. Wagstaff, J. Rowan, D. R. Flanagan, F. Murphy, G. Dunne, H. Keely, A. J. Mulligan, P. Larrigan, N. Murphy, F. Smith, J. Howley, W. Scarlett, L. V. Humphries, P. Byrne, W. G. Keatinge, J. Tuffore, P. Kensely, T. Kiernan, J. McKeown, W. Leavy, T. Rafter, P. Bolands, P. L. Larrigan, C. Gaw, P. Foley, N. Duffy, K. Cogan, E. Weldon, J. Cogan, P. Fitzgerald, P. Coffey, H. McClean, R. Prescott, F. Rogers, P. Casserley, J. J. Murphy, J. F. McCulloch, W. Smith, A. O'Carroll.

The committee in charge of the arrangements were:—Mr. R. M. Wolfe (Chairman), Mr. G. J. Beatty (secretary), Mr. A. J. Kelly (treasurer); the Misses L. Roberts, E. Fitzpatrick, B. Hickey, B. Dolan, E. Rowan, L. Carpenter, K. Casey, A. O'Connor, P. Foley, K. O'Reilly, A. Wigglesworth; Messrs. K. Flanagan, G. C. M. Thompson, G. A. D. Brewster, G. Hetherington, F. G. Farrell, J. Bracken, P. Casserley, T. Murphy, N. Kemp, J. Cleary and D. P. Luke.

WESTMEATH HUNT

A very successful dance was held on Wednesday last at Jigginstown, Drumcree, Co. Westmeath, in aid of the Westmeath Hunt Fowl and Red Cross Funds. Miss A. P. Wilson kindly lent her house for the occasion, and spared neither time nor trouble in making the dance a very pleasant function. The music was provided by the Red Tigers Band, ably assisted during intervals by Mr. E. Bauer (Mullingar).

The following were among those present:—Mr. R. Prior-Wandesford, M.F.H.; Captain C. E. Winter, ex-M.F.H.; Mrs. Winter, Mrs. Wilson, Miss A. P. Wilson, Miss Davis, Mrs. Harman, Mr. N. Harman, Mr. R. Raynell, Miss Reynell, Mr. D. Shirley, Mrs. and Miss Vandaleur, Captain S. F. and Mrs. Purdon, Captain E. A. and Mrs. Gargan, Mr. and Mrs. T. P. Downes, Mr. and Mrs. R. J. Downes, Mr. G. O'Neill, Mr. E. O'Neill, Mrs. and Miss Gibson, Miss D. Gibson, Mr. and Mrs. E. B. Hyde, Mr. D. Williams, Miss O'Reilly, Miss McLoughlin.

Mr. J. Gibson, Mr. H. Kenny, Dr. S. Kenny, Miss M. McKeever, Mr. G. Walker, Mr. D. G. Berry, Miss K. McKeever, Mr. G. Liss, Mr. and Mrs. Huston, Mr. and Mrs. W. O. Armstrong, Mrs. M. B. O'Neill, Mr. J. O'Neill, Mr. J. F. O'Neill, Mr. H. O'Neill, Miss M. Fawcett, Mr. C. Vance, Miss P. Vance, Dr. and Mrs. Lynch, Mr. and Mrs. Farrell, Mr. Cosgrove, Mr. Warren, Mr. N. and Miss L. O'Neill, Mr. and Miss Lupton, the Misses Smyth.

The Misses Farrell, Mr. R. and Miss Holmes, Mr. and Mrs. Radcliffe, Mr. T. Clibborn, Mr. and Mrs. Rose, Mr. and Mrs. G. Rose, Mr. and Mrs. A. R. Meares, Miss W. Meares, Mr. J. H. Brabazon, Miss M. Brabazon, Miss S. Ryan, Mr. and Mrs. T. L. Hutchinson, Miss Ledwich, Mr. and Mrs. P. O'Neill, Mrs. W. Ronaldson, Mr. and Mrs. Cuddy, Mr. and Mrs. Casey, Mrs. Battersby, Miss V. Adamson, Mr. and Mrs. J. Waldron, Mr. and Mrs. L. G. McClaughry, Mr. H. and Miss M. McClaughry, Mr. Parr, Mr. and Mrs. W. J. Kirwan, Mrs. J. Gibbons, Mr. Egglestoff, Miss McGovern, Mrs. Evans.

CHURCH SERVICES

ST. PATRICK'S CATHEDRAL.—10 a.m. Psalm, 96. Chant, 99. Te Deum, in C. Chants, 32, 33. Hymn, 322. Evensong at 4 o'clock. Unaccompanied Service. Psalms, 100, 101. Chant, 79. Magnificat, Nunc Dimittis, Tallis in D minor. Anthem, "God so loved the world." Stainer.

CHRIST CHURCH CATHEDRAL.—Matins at 10.45 o'clock. Venite, 787. Psalm, 97 (706). Jubilate, 975. Litany. Evensong at 3 o'clock. Unaccompanied. Psalm, 98 (787). Nunc Dimittis, Samuel Arnold (1740-1802) in A. Anthem, "Alleluia and everlasting God," Orlando Gibbons (1583-1625).

The British Ministry of Food announced that from yesterday certain cuts of bacon can be sold without the purchaser having to give any coupons, and, in addition, such purchases will be over and above the weekly ration of four ounces.

LATE NEWS

THE BOMBARDMENT OF SYLT

The *Daily Mail* Correspondent, writing from Tonder, Denmark, last night, says: Warplanes, believed to be British, are tonight attacking Sylt, the North Sea island home of Germany's mine-laying seaplanes.

Bombs have been dropped at Rantam and Keitum, where the Hindenburg Dam connecting Sylt with the mainland, ends.

All towns on the island have been blacked-out, and squadrons of German fighters have taken off.

The roar of their engines is mingled with the crash of anti-aircraft guns and heavy explosions from the direction of the dam. Searchlights are sweeping the sky. The Sylt guns first went into action between 6 p.m. and 6.30 p.m.

Later heavy artillery could be heard firing farther south, probably in the region north of Heligoland. At the same time ten seaplanes were seen to leave Sylt for the south.—(See Page 5.)

IRISH NEWS IN BRIEF

Costly Shout.—For shouting, "Up Hitler," after a soldier, Patrick Bannon, of Kilmore, was fined one pound on Tallaghts Petty Sessions yesterday.

Miners' Strike.—Between 400 and 500 miners in the Castlecomer Mines have taken unofficial strike action. They state that they refuse to work with "non-unionists."

Limerick Strike.—About eighty employés are affected by a strike at the factory of Irish Wire Products, Limerick. The dispute was stated to have arisen out of the dismissal of a worker.

Soldiers Remanded.—At Lucan District Court yesterday Private O'Connor and Private Kiernan, charged with the larceny of £1 5s. at the Curragh Camp, were remanded in custody to Naas District Court.

Fined for Larceny.—At Lucan District Court yesterday Patrick Irwin, Adamstown, Lucan, charged with stealing a bicycle, the property of John Roche, Tullamore, was fined £2 with 16s. 4d. costs.

Belfast Airman's Death.—Mrs. Mabel M. Wells, 20 Elia street, Belfast, has been notified of the death on active service in France of her husband, Leading Aircraftman Jack of Mells. She had previously received a telegram informing her that her husband was dangerously ill from meningitis.

Candidate Withdraws.—The Deputy Lord Mayor of Belfast (Councillor T. L. Cole), who was a candidate for the East Belfast seat in the Imperial Parliament, vacant owing to the elevation of Lord Glentoran to the peerage, has decided to withdraw in favour of Mr. H. P. Harland, a director of Messrs. Harland and Wolff, Ltd.

Fears for Future.—North Tipperary Board of Health adopted an estimate of £76,455 for the coming year—an increase of £6,887 on last year's figure. Mr. J. P. Stakelum said that farmers were hardly able to discharge their present liabilities. If expenditure was to go on increasing he feared that the public services would collapse for want of funds, because the rates would become irrecoverable.

Engine Derailed.—The derailment of the engine of a passenger train at Dalkey Railway Station, County Dublin, yesterday morning was attributed to the severe frost. It was stated that the points at a siding became frozen and caused the mishap. It did not interfere with the service on the main line of the Great Southern Railways.

Flour-Milling Workers.—No agreement was reached on the workers' claim for a war and emergency bonus at yesterday's meeting of the Joint Industrial Council for the flour-milling industry. Meetings of the men employed in some twenty-five flour mills are to be held over the week-end in view of the failure to reach agreement.

Sympathy with Civic Guard.—At Lucan District Court yesterday District Justice Reddin expressed sympathy with Guard Tully, Chapelizod, whose son, aged 5, was drowned in the Liffey at Chapelizod on the previous day. Guard Tully, he said, was a most efficient and popular officer. Mr. D. R. Pigot, solicitor, and Mr. H. O'Sullivan, Court Registrar, associated themselves with the Justice's remarks.

Tramwaymen Under Notice.—"Over 200 men will be unemployed within a week," stated Mr. T. O'Hanlon, Secretary to the National Union of Vehicle Builders, last night, "unless the responsible Government Department or the Ministry of Supplies releases supplies of material for the Dublin United Tramways Company which have been held up at the North Wall, Dublin, since November 20th, 1939."

Van Driver Fined.—At Lucan District Court yesterday James Egan, 10 Claude road, Dublin, summoned for having driven a motor van in a dangerous manner at Baldonnel on the 23rd September, was fined £3 for driving without due consideration. Arthur Cooper, 20 Mark street, Dublin, who was summoned for having driven a motor lorry in a dangerous manner at Crooksling, Co. Dublin, on the 24th September, did not appear, and was fined £3, with £4 10s. costs.

Four Men for Trial.—At Carlow District Court, four Muinebeag men were returned for trial to the Circuit Court, charged with conspiring to rob, and robbing, Joseph Tracey (58), a blind pensioner, of Killoughternane, Borris, of £45. The defendants were: Denis Byrne, St. Brigid's Crescent, Muinebeag; Patrick Foster, John Bolger, and James O'Brien, Fair Green, Muinebeag.

Compensation Award.—At Cork Circuit Court yesterday, Wolfe Jackson, 20 Sloyd road, London, was awarded £35, with costs and expenses, under the Criminal Injuries Act, in respect of damage to his premises at Copley street, Cork, where, it was stated, a small office was broken into, a weighing machine damaged, and a gate and other property removed. It was stated that a man had been convicted in connection with the damage caused.

CHILDREN'S CHRISTMAS TREE PARTY

Over two hundred children and their mothers attended the thirteenth annual Christmas tree party which was held yesterday for the children of ex-Irish Guardsmen in the large hall of the Abbey Church, Parnell square, Dublin. The Guards' Colours and Star of the regiment formed the decorations, and the Christmas tree presented by the Countess of Meath, under whose patronage the party was, occupied a prominent position.

Some of the young guests contributed music and songs, and the Modern Whelan Concert Party, with the assistance of Mr. Frank Whelan, Miss Vera Shannahan, Miss Margaret Lalor, and Messrs. Habington Power, O'Neill and Matthews, provided additional entertainment.

The party was organised by Mrs. Nicolson and the following helpers:—Mr. R. Stritch, Mrs. Mooney, Miss Elsie Smythe, Mrs. McKay, Mrs. Ashton, Mrs. Rocliffe, Mrs. Deegan, Mrs. Somerville, Mrs. Ellis and Mrs. Thompson.

Mr. Mara, as Santa Claus, presented toys and gifts to the children.

Those who contributed to the success of the party were:—The Lieutenant-Colonel Commanding the Irish Guards, Lieutenant-Colonel the Hon. T. Vesey, Captain Lord Powerscourt, Brigadier-General Darell, Brigadier-General the Hon. L. Butler, Captain A. G. Hood, General Sir Alexander Godley, Mrs. George Nugent, the Marchioness Lansdowne, Major A. R. Fym, Viscountess de Vesci, Miss Steel, Major A. A. Perceval, Major General Pollock, Captain H. R. Maxwell, Miss Max

DIVIDENDS AND REPORTS

Anglo-American Telegraph Co.—Final dividend of 1½ per cent. on the Ordinary stock and a similar payment on the Deferred Ordinary Stock. Ordinary stockholders receive £3 13/- per cent. for the year against £3 15/- per cent. for the previous year, the usual quarterly payment of 15/- per cent. being reduced to 13/- per cent. for the September quarter). The Deferred payment is at the same rate as that of the previous year. A final payment of 1½ per cent. completes the usual distribution of 6 per cent. on the Preferred Ordinary stock.

British Columbia Electric Railway.—Earnings for year, £456,018 (against £418,558), and net profit £318,059 (against £280,451). Final Deferred dividend 4 per cent., making 7 per cent. (against 6 per cent.). Forward, £6,437 (against £604).

Crown Brewing.—Profit, £20,026 (against £28,747). Final dividend 7½ per cent., making 15 per cent., and bonus 5 per cent. (same). Forward, £31,242 (against £25,429).

Charter Trust and Agency.—Net revenue, £15,264 (against £16,641). After paying full dividend on 5 per cent. Preference Stock for year, balance forward is £6,877 (against £10,071). A balance forward is £6,877 (against £10,071). A

Debenture Corporation.—Net revenue, £167,114 (against £173,215); final Ord. dividend 6 per cent., making 10 per cent. (same); to reserve, £10,000 (against £15,000); taxation, £54,700 (against £48,000); forward, £68,368 (against £68,285).

Dixor.—Net profit, £39,121 (against £37,961). Tax and N.D.C. take £17,088 (against £13,384). Ordinary dividend again 50 per cent., with proportionate payment on "A" Shares. Forward, £6,731 (against £4,698).

English and New York Trust.—Net profit, £23,880 (against £28,173); final Ord. dividend 3 per cent., making 4½ per cent. (same).

Folland Aircraft.—Interim of 3 per cent (same).

Ferreira Estate.—Interim dividend of 100 per cent. (same).

Glasgow Alhambra.—Profit, £7,673 (against £6,965), and net profit £1,541 (against £3,607), increasing credit to go forward to £4,907. Previous year £500 placed to tax reserve.

Glynns Lydenburg.—Interim dividend of 7½ per cent. (same).

Humber.—Dividend of 15 per cent. for the year on the Deferred Ord. shares (against 10 per cent.).

John Loveys.—Dividend of 6 per cent for the year (against 3 per cent.).

John Crossley and Sons.—Net profit of £78,690 (against a loss of £46,928). Dividend 5 per cent. (against nil).

London Trading Estates.—Net income, £321 (against £10,762), making, with £7,484 brought in, balance of £7,805 to go forward. (Previous year dividend 5½ per cent.).

Lansil.—Initial interim payment of 3 per cent. on the Ordinary. The first Ordinary dividend was 2½ per cent. for 1936. For 1937 this rate was doubled, and the company maintained the higher rate of distribution until last year.

Louisville and Nashville Railroad has declared a dividend of 1.25 dollars, compared with a payment of 1 dollar last year.

Langen (Java) Rubber.—Profit, £4,666 (against £8,624). Dividend 4 per cent. (against 6 per cent.). Forward, £11,187 (against £11,645).

Laycock Holdings.—Report for period July 1, 1938, to December 31 last, shows profit of £16,292. Directors have transferred £16,676 from reserves not now required, and after taking £26,510 for tax reserve, and paying Ordinary dividends at the rate of 11 2-3rds per cent., debit of £2,376 is deducted from reserves totalling £120,598.

M. Cook and Son.—Interim of 7½ per cent. (against nil).

Municipal Freehold Land.—Net profit, £7,434. Dividend 10 per cent. Forward, £5,928.

Northern Corporation.—Profit, £32,484 (against £32,391). Final Ordinary dividend 10 per cent., making 15 per cent. (same). To reserve, £2,500 (same). Forward, £7,554 (against £7,179).

Polikoff (England). — Manufacturing loss, £27,673 (against profit of £30,625 for previous period of eighteen months), and net loss £35,622 (profit £11,667), leaving debit of £7,951 to go forward.

Pengkalen.—Dividend 10 per cent. on Preferred Ordinary.

River Plate and General Investment.—Net revenue, £43,548 (against £47,993); final dividend of 5 per cent., making 10 per cent (same) on Defd.; to reserve, £5,000 (against £7,500); forward, £52,321 (against £51,648).

R. H. and S. Rogers.—Net profit, £11,251 (against £12,158); add £3,721 brought in, making £14,972. Final Ordinary dividend 5 per cent., making 7½ per cent. Previous year dividend was 10 per cent., accompanied by 2½ per cent. cash bonus. Forward £4,473.

Sedenak Rubber.—Net profit increased from £17,892 to £26,552, and the dividend is increased from 4 per cent. to 7 per cent.

Tekka Taiping.—Dividend 2½ per cent. (Same).

Trafford Park Estates.—Interim dividend of 3 per cent. (same).

Threlfalls Brewery.—Interim maintained at 8 per cent.

Vosper.—Trading profit rose from £33,597 to £44,925, and the net from £24,153 to £39,417. As already known, the Ord. and Defd. dividends are 2½ per cent. more at 15 per cent. After maintaining the allocation to reserve at £15,000, there remains £2,664 (against £4,804) to go forward.

Wallpapers Consolidated.—Net loss £22,365, after writing off £11,327 from subsidiary interests (previous year loss £1,966). After transferring £4,017 from capital reserve, debit forward is £18,505.

William Timpson, Ltd.—Net earnings, £207,455 (against £156,996). Final dividend on the Ord. shares of 10 per cent., maintaining the year's distribution at 15 per cent.

STORE CATTLE SALES

MESSRS. GAVIN LOW, LTD.

Number of store cattle on offer at Messrs. Gavin Low's store sale yesterday was similar to last week, but the quality generally was not so good, and in consequence the extreme quotations of a week ago were not reached. There was a good cross-Channel inquiry for well-bred Shorthorn heifers. Strong aged polled Scotland were also in request, but young West Country Shorthorns were not so readily placed. Best quality bullocks and heifers made from 43/- to 47/- per cwt., while others ranged from 35/- to 42/-. Mr. Flunkett's pedigree Aberdeen-Angus cattle sold as follows:—Stock bull 34 gns., yearling bull 22 gns., yearling heifer 17 gns., cows 19 to 12 gns., and Mr. Mitchell's A.A. bull 19 gns.

MESSRS. CRAIGIE BROS.

Owing to the dangerous state of the roads many lots of cattle entered for sale yesterday were unable to travel, and numbers, in consequence, were smaller than last day. With a fair company of both home and cross-Channel buyers present, well-bred cattle in good condition cannot be quoted any cheaper. Secondary descriptions, however, suffered from the wintry conditions, and several lots failed to reach owners' reserves. Live-weight prices ranged from 47/- to 38/- per cwt.

MESSRS. GANLY AND SONS.

In spite of the recent hard weather and the frosty condition of the roads, all lots entered came to hand, and comprised a good selection of all classes of bullocks and heifers from one to three years old. The attendance of buyers was large, and a brisk demand was experienced for all classes, and a complete clearance was effected at prices considerably higher than last week. Good quality aged cattle in forward condition were in particularly keen demand, and many more lots of these classes could have been sold at satisfactory prices. A pen of Hereford cross bullocks from A. McGrath sold at £23 7/6, and were 50/- per cwt.; J. McCarthy's A.A. cross bullocks £23 (49/-), and his A.A. cross heifers £19 15/- to £15 7/6 (48/- to 46/-); J. J. Mangan's polly and Hereford cross bullocks £24 10/- to £22 5/- (47/6 to 46/-); J. Powell's Hereford cross heifers £21 (50/-).

WEDDINGS

LIEUTENANT C. G. MURRAY AND MISS N. BLAKE

The wedding has taken place in England of Lieutenant C. G. Murray, R.A.M.C., second son of the late Dr. P. J. Murray and Mrs. Murray, Whitehall, Dublin, and Miss Noeline Blake, elder daughter of Dr. Stanley Blake, R.M.S., Portrane Mental Hospital.

The ceremony was performed by the Rev. C. Rea P.P.

The bride was given away by her uncle, Dr. G. Peters, and Miss Joan Blake was the only bridesmaid.

The honeymoon is being spent in London.

DR. A. DE VERE BOURKE AND DR. T. A. O'DONNELL

The marriage was solemnised at University Church, St. Stephen's Green, Dublin, yesterday, of Dr. Aubrey de Vere Bourke, M.B., Ch.B., son of Mr. and Mrs. H. C. Bourke, of Ballina, County Mayo, and Miss Teresa A. O'Donnell, M.B., Ch.B., daughter of Mr. and Mrs. H. S. O'Donnell, County Donegal.

The Bishop of Killala (the Most Rev. Dr. Naughton) performed the ceremony, and Nuptial Mass (with Papal Blessing) was celebrated by the Rev. Father Antony O'Doherty (uncle of the bride), assisted by the Very Rev. Canon D. O'Connor.

The bride, who was given away by her father, was attended by her sister, Mrs. E. McLaughlin.

Mr. R. P. Bourke acted as best man.

A reception was held afterwards in the Shelbourne Hotel, Dublin.

"A CHARTER OF CHRISTIAN PEACE"

The Catholic Association for International Relations, having respectfully submitted to the Holy See their programme of work, including a document, "A Charter of Christian Peace," His Eminence the Cardinal Secretary of State, through His Excellency the Apostolic Nuncio, has communicated to the Association his approval of the work undertaken by them to make known the fundamental principles of true Christian peace and international order.

degree of popularity for attributes merely incidental to the main purpose of their authors, which is to point a moral, not to adorn a tale. It has been the fate of Sir Thomas More's "Utopia," of Dean Swift's "Gulliver's Travels," of Lewis Carroll's "Alice in Wonderland." It seems a pity that a thesis which bears so strongly upon the vital issues of the hour should be neglected at a time when the efforts of all right-thinking people everywhere are needed to avert the chaos in which Europe and the world threaten to be involved.—Yours, etc.,

Dublin, January 19th, 1940.

IRISHMAN'S DIARY

"The Star Turns Red" : Hunting and the Frost
Thanks from Mr. Hore-Belisha : Dr. Gogarty in Chicago
"Codology" in the North Country

Mr. Hore-Belisha's Thanks

A colleague from one of the London news agencies who was over here recently showed me a souvenir which he had received from Mr. Leslie Hore-Belisha, who has just left the War Office. The souvenir, however, dates back to the period Mr. Hore-Belisha spent as Minister of Transport.

When he was introducing his safety crossings for pedestrians and proposed to mark them with the now familiar orange globes there was some difficulty, it appears, to find a name for these indicators. The unimaginative Civil Service probably called them: "Globes, orange, pedestrian crossings, for the indication of."

But it was a newspaperman who came along eventually and tersely christened them "Belisha Beacons"—and the name stuck. Mr. Hore-Belisha inquired the name of the inventive person, and as a result my friend subsequently received a cigarette case as a mark of the Minister's appreciation.

Dr. Gogarty in America

From Chicago I have received a newspaper clipping recording a visit of my old friend, Dr. Oliver St. John Gogarty, to that city last month. The clipping tells us that the Doctor "made quips, talked about the literature of Dublin, told Irish tales, quoted a limerick of Joyce's and a poem or two of Yeats to members of the English-Speaking Union."

I offer you a few extracts from his talk:

"I judge civilization by the length of the week-ends—the longer the week-ends the higher the civilization."

"Civilization is only a nation's dream of itself, and one dominating figure can mold it."

"We have in Ireland a hang-over from the Homeric life."

". . . . Dublin where they say we take life easily and often."

"The only thing we Irish can offer in literature is the herbaceous border of fancy on facts."

Judging from these "quotes," I would say that the Doctor was well up to his usual form with the "cracks."

The Hunting Season

Hunting is one of the activities that have suffered rather severely as a result of the frost. On Saturday last, when "the bone in the ground" became evident, horses and their riders had perforce to remain at home. This is no small adversity for a sport that can only be enjoyed for a short season.

In Ireland it is a worse calamity, perhaps, than elsewhere, for here horses must be kept going. Eating their heads off with hay and oats at war prices is not good for either the horse of his owner. Then there is the loss in cap money for the hunt funds, when the sport has to be abandoned.

As it is, hunting funds must be none too plentiful this season, and the war further tends to reduce membership.

It may, perhaps, be regarded as a sign of the times that at least one hunt is holding its annual ball this year in Dublin, which is a departure from old and honoured tradition.

Good Yorkshire

Readers of this newspaper will not yet have forgotten the recent Editorial reference to the word "codology," nor the resultant correspondence by which it was sought to prove the etymology of that word and its synonym "cod."

So far the matter remained undecided, although the possibilities were not exhausted, until my opposite number who writes a pithy and entertaining column, "This World of Ours," in the *Yorkshire Post*, claimed that "any Yorkshireman could tell the *Irish Times* in a brace of shakes what 'codology' means."

It means "cod," he says; and "cod" has been a good word for a hoax in the Northern Counties of England probably for centuries. The great authority is Dr. Joseph Wright, in his Dialect Dictionary, who suggests that the word has had some currency in Ireland.

The Yorkshire Columnist adds: ". . . possibly the *Irish Times* objects to the furnishing of an ancient folk word like 'cod' with classical pretentiousness. If so, Yorkshire will come out boldly on the side of the newspaper for, while 'cod' is admirable, 'codology' is a mongrel of a word, and to marry dialect with a scientific Graecism is like putting a patent leather shoe on top of a good woollen sock."

A New O'Casey Play

I learn from a correspondent that "The Star Turns Red," Sean O'Casey's new play, will be produced at the Little Unity Theatre in London at an early date. This is the Dublin author's first full-length play since "Within the Gates" five years ago.

It is most unlikely that Dublin will ever see "The Star Turns Red" at the Abbey anyway. Lionel Hale, in the *News Chronicle*, forecasts that it deals, "quite frankly, with a Communist revolution."

"Scenes are laid in a trades union council, the council chamber of the lord mayor and a working-class home. But the country is unidentified. No, says Unity, it is not Ireland. A Roman Catholic country, but not Ireland."

Would it be Eire, now?

From the *News Chronicle* I also learn that "The Star Turns Red" is a "still further development" from "Within the Gates"—which, in its time, was "a development of the stylised method with which, in scenes of 'The Silver Tassie,' Mr. O'Casey replaced the lyrically natural dialogue of 'Juno and the Paycock.'"

"I have grown out of 'Juno,'" declared Mr. O'Casey.

The new play, it seems, is written in rhythmic prose, rising at times of emotion and stress to poetry. The characters break from time to time into massed chant.

The Real Decrease

The decrease in revenue from motor vehicle licence duty in Great Britain in the first fourteen days of January has been misconstrued by the newspapers, writes our Motoring Correspondent.

Receipts fell from approximately £12,000,000 in January of 1939 to £8,000,000 in January of 1940, and paragraphists with only a hazy idea about motor registration wrote that the number of vehicles licensed must, therefore, have fallen by one-third. They overlooked the fact that the taxation rate was 15s. per unit of horse-power in 1939 and 25s. in 1940, and on that basis it would seem that the number of vehicles fell from 16,000,000 to 6,400,000—a fall of 60 per cent.

The war was not the sole cause of the decrease; the increase in tax was another. These figures must be accepted as only approximate in the absence of such information as the proportion of quarterly licences in the respective years.

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CENTRAL MIDWIVES' BOARD

The sixtieth examination of the Central Midwives' Board was held on 10th, 11th and 12th January at the Dublin and Cork Centres, and clinical examinations were held on the following days.

Thirty-three candidates entered in Dublin and two in Cork. Two candidates entered for Part II. Examination, and thirty-three for Part I. Of the 35 candidates one failed, and 34 passed satisfactorily.

Successful candidates were:—

DUBLIN CENTRE.

Rotunda Hospital: Part I. Examination—Ahern, Margaret Mary; Caherty, Teresa; Campbell, Kate; Crowley, Bridget; Curran, Margaret Mary; Daly, Eileen Mary; Goldman, Celia; Hayes, Bridget Elizabeth; Kavanagh, Elizabeth; Kearns, Eileen; Kennedy, Maggie Jane; Matson, Mary; Mullally, Ellen; O'Gorman, Mary Elizabeth; Osborne, Joan Mary; Rowan, Mary Alice Barbara.

National Maternity Hospital: Part I. Examination—Bourke, Christina; Caraher, Alice Dympna; Collins, Mary; Doyle, Alice; Geraghty, Mary; Hanna, Mary Anne; Kiernan, Annie Cathleen; May, Nellie; McConaghy, Margaret Mona; O'Leary, Nora; Treanor, Catherine; Walsh, Ellen.

Coombe Hospital: Part II. Examination (Final)—Good, Rosa Evelyn.

Part I.—Boylan, Mary Augustine; Hogan, Mary Jane; McGroarty, Teresa Rosaline.

CORK CENTRE.

Erinville Hospital: Part II. Examination (Final)—Egan, Christina.

Part I. Examination—Sullivan, Ellen Margaret (Sister Mary Gertrude).

EVAN WILLIAMS shampoo

Miss Avril Angers writes:

"My hair is perfectly natural and owes its life and colour to Evan Williams Shampoo, which is all that has ever been used upon it."

Keeps the hair young

THE LATE MR. JOSEPH DEVLIN, M.P.

REQUIEM MASS

Requiem Mass for the late Mr. Joseph Devlin, M.P., was celebrated by the Rev. P. O'Meara, S.J., in the Church of St. Francis Xavier, Gardiner street, Dublin, yesterday. It was the sixth anniversary of Mr. Devlin's death, and the Mass was attended by many of his old friends and colleagues.

Among those present were:—The Rev. M. Quinlan, S.J.; Mr. Henry J. Moloney, K.C.; Mr. and Mrs. John D. Nugent, Mr. and Mrs. P. Nugent, Mr. and Mrs. J. A. Nugent, Mr. M. Keogh (County President, Ancient Order of Hibernians, Dublin), Mr. P. McDonnell (County Secretary, A.O.H., Dublin), Messrs. W. J. Fallon, J. M. Dillon, T.D.; D. McMenamin, T.D.; J. L. Esmonde, T.D.; A. Byrne, jun., T.D.; James Coburn, T.D.; J. P. Gaynor, P. MacCarthy, H. MacCarthy, P. Stapleton, J. Moloney, E. J. Crocker, M. B. O'Donnell, J. McNamee, T. Nathan, D. O'Connor, D. McCarthy, S. Nowlan, T. O'Reilly, P. Sarsfield Brady, J. Carroll, J. McGuire, E. J. Cullen, J. Haide, the Misses K., T. and C. Nugent, Mr. and Mrs. T. Condon, Mr. and Mrs. P. F. O'Reilly, Mr. and Mrs. P. Reilly, Miss Mullins.

MR. DULANTY'S TRIBUTE

His life ended where it began—among the people he loved, and to whom he had devoted his career, said Mr. John Dulanty, Eire High Commissioner in London, last night in the course of an appreciation, broadcast through Radio Eireann, of the late Mr. Joseph Devlin, M.P. "When he died little children wept in the street," concluded Mr. Dulanty.

Joe Devlin, he said, had not the literary or philosophical gifts of his colleague, Tom Kettle; neither had he the detachment of John Dillon, whose simple, meditating life for Ireland had a stainless purity that invested the cause with the sanctity of religion rather than with the business of politics. But he had more than any of the others—a passion for democracy. His faith in his people was unshakable. He credited them with the honest motives of his own love for Ireland. That love was free from all hates, and after a life spent in the wilderness there was no note of bitterness in his speeches.

It was thirty-four years since Mr. Devlin first won West Belfast for the Nationalist Party, but stories still were told of the exultation of his supporters. It was in Belfast that he had his first lessons in political organisation, and there, "amid the industrial anarchy of the 'eighties, he developed that quick sense of human realities that never left him."

CATHOLIC THEOLOGY LECTURE

Modern scholars are of the opinion that the common content of the three Synoptic Gospels goes back to a written source, said the Rev. Professor Edward Kissane (St. Patrick's College, Maynooth) when opening a series of lectures on Catholic Theology in University College, Dublin, last night. He was speaking on "The Gospel of St. Matthew."

The lecturer dealt with the preaching of the first apostles, and the development of the Church in the Apostolic Age, leading up to the foundation of the New Testament literature. After referring to the sources of St. Matthew, Professor Kissane surveyed the characteristics of his Gospel—the Jewish colouring and the peculiar system of opposing kindred subjects. He concluded with a survey of the personal characteristics of the saint.

Of Interest to Women

SLIM-FITTING moderately flared coat of black Bouclé from the Marshalls Model Winter Collection. Rie squirrel trims the hood and large pockets. The hood forms a small collar when worn down.

NEW WAYS WITH CELERY

AS I write the ground is frozen so hard that a spade cannot be got into the soil to lift the celery! However, a thaw must come some time, and meanwhile I have been looking over my celery recipes to see if I can break some new ground—metaphorically if not literally.

Everyone, of course, knows that the deliciousness of celery depends largely on the thoroughness with which it is washed and scraped and trimmed. But not everyone realises that, if it is to be eaten raw, celery is vastly improved—crisped and curled—if the sticks are soaked for ten or fifteen minutes in cold salted water before serving. Also, be sure your cook knows that the best part of a head of celery is the root! I have known cooks cut off the whole root "because it looked so dirty!"

For a very pleasing savoury cut cleaned celery sticks into four-inch lengths, soak it and dry. Then fill each hollow groove with cream cheese. This is all the better if the cream cheese is home made. For a hot savoury try celery toast. Take 2 ozs. of celery, wash, trim, and chop finely. Melt half-an-ounce of butter (or margarine) in a small saucepan, add two tablespoons of grated onion, then the celery, then season with salt, pepper, and ketchup. Cover closely and allow the mixture to cook gently for ten minutes. Serve the savoury piled up on pieces of fried bread.

AN EXCELLENT DISH

Scalloped celery is an excellent dish seldom met with. It can be served as a vegetable with meat or fish, but it is also substantial enough to be the main course of a light lunch. Select a quart-size baking-dish, wash and drain the celery, and cut into four or five-inch pieces. Put a layer of the celery over the bottom of the baking-dish, then a layer of tomatoes. Sprinkle over this a teaspoonful of chopped onion, a saltspoonful of salt, and a dash of pepper; then another layer of celery, and so on till there are three layers, the topmost being tomatoes. Cover this with breadcrumbs. Measure a level tablespoonful of butter (or margarine), cut it into six bits, and dab these over the top. Bake in a moderate oven for half-an-hour.

Another delectable way of serving celery is a soufflé. For celery and cheese soufflé take half a pound of washed white stalks of celery, chop them up and stew them in half a pint of milk, with a small shallot and some salt and pepper. Strain off the liquor and serve the celery when it is quite tender.

Melt one ounce of butter, add one ounce of flour, and the then celery liquor. Cook this mixture till the sauce leaves the sides of the pan, beating well all the time; then beat in the yolks of two eggs, two ounces of grated cheese, and the sieved celery.

Lastly, fold in the stiffly-beaten whites of the eggs. Turn all into a buttered soufflé case, and bake in a hot oven for twenty to thirty minutes.

WHITE SAUCE

Creamed celery is a simple and ordinary enough dish, but it is seldom served as nicely as it might be. The secret lies in producing a white sauce of perfect smoothness and creamy consistency. Take the outside stalks of a head of celery, one tablespoonful of butter (or margarine), one tablespoonful of flour, half a breakfast cupful of milk, some pepper and salt.

Cut the washed and scraped celery into short lengths and boil till tender in salted water. While it is boiling make the sauce carefully: melt the butter or margarine in a small enamel or aluminium saucepan (to preserve the colour), stir in the flour by degrees with a wooden spoon, and wait till the mixture bubbles all over. Then draw the pan off the heat and add a little of the milk. Stir briskly with the wooden spoon till you have a perfectly smooth mixture. Then add the rest of the milk, stirring well all the time. Now put the pan back on the stove and bring to the boil. Boil for two or three minutes—and stir all the time without stopping—then season with salt and pepper, and a squeeze of lemon juice if you like it.

Drain the cooked celery thoroughly and add it to the sauce. Serve as an ordinary vegetable from the dish or on individual triangles of toast.

It is worth noting that celery sauce is an excellent accompaniment to boiled chicken or boiled mutton. Make the white sauce as above, but thin slightly by adding a little water to the milk. Add two sticks of celery, cooked until soft and chopped small.

Finally, try celery in brown sauce: Prepare short lengths of celery, including portions of the root, and bruise them with the rolling-pin. Boil these till tender in slightly salted water. Use the celery water to blend one tablespoonful of gravy powder and one teaspoonful of flour. Turn the blended ingredients into the saucepan with the celery and the remainder of the water, and serve when piping hot on fairly thick toast well soaked in the gravy. If the celery used is not strongly flavoured, omit the salt in the boiling water, and add a teaspoonful of celery salt to the gravy ingredients.

AILEEN.

I SAW LAST WEEK

Real bargains in handwoven Donegal tweeds, in lengths suitable for coats, costumes, etc., at less than half pre-war price—obtainable in a Nassau street shop.

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A lovely collection of the new Viennese jumpers and cardigans, in colours to suit all tastes, for 8s. 11d. and 6s. 11d. in a George's street shop—so useful and attractive.

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An odd lot of ladies' fur fabric coats, in swagger and waisted styles, for 49s. 6d. in a Talbot street shop—warm and fashionable.

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Handwoven scarves in every possible colour and design being offered at a greatly reduced price in a Henry street shop during the sale—very soft and comfortable.

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Splendid quality taffeta, suitable for evening dresses, etc., in many lovely soft shades, for 1s. 11d. a yard in a George's street shop—real good value.

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Pure wool white Foxford blankets, with blue borders, size 54" x 74", for 27s. 6d. per pair in a Suffolk street shop—really good quality.

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A camel hair hooded coat, made on well-tailored lines, with an all-round belt, at a greatly reduced price, in a Grafton street shop—very fashionable.

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A very neat wooden kitchen cabinet, with an enamel top, in a Dawson street shop—a godsend in any kitchen.

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A magnificent collection of the new striped cotton folk-weave materials, in a George's street shop—suitable for curtains, loose covers or bedspreads, and is very inexpensive.

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A very special offer of blouses, in many attractive designs and materials, for 21s. 9d. each, in a Suffolk street shop—think of the warmer days.

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A huge collection of dusters, kitchen rubbers and glass cloths, being offered at a greatly reduced price during the sale in a Grafton street shop.

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A motor foot-warmer, which should make the passengers in the back of your car really comfortable—obtainable in an O'Connell street shop.

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SPY ANN.

FOOD of the GODS

CHOCOLATE AND BEAUTY

IT is probable that fatigue is the greatest ravager of youthful beauty. In these days of stress and strain, when most young people overwork and overplay, undereat and undersleep, the tell-tale lines soon show up, particularly around and under the eyes and mouth. Not alone this, but eyes lose the lustre of youth and the skin loses its first bloom and beauty.

Much of this damage can be prevented by regularity of mealtime habits and the consuming of suitable, easily digested and nutritious food. Again a difficulty occurs. Many young girls fear that nutriment means putting on weight and deliberately refrain from eating to satisfaction of mind and body. This is not to be wondered at, for much nonsense has been written on the subject of slimming, and wrong impressions have been imparted by people whose knowledge of diet is limited and unscientific. Foods like milk, sugar and bread are health-giving, and, therefore, productive of beauty; they do not fatten unduly, and they give an enormous amount of energy in comparison to the amount consumed.

Chocolate, and particularly milk chocolate, is another wonderful food, giving immediate energy, and not straining the digestion. This food is too often regarded as a sweetmeat. Admittedly, it is delicious, but more important is the fact that it provides an effective substitute for a sit-down meal, and for nutriment beats the sandwich or the milk-and-bun meal hollow. A great point in its favour is the fact that it can be nibbled at any time you feel hungry and need a little sustenance. It does not spoil your appetite and does improve the complexion. The vitamins and readily available nourishment make it an ideal quick lunch for child and adult alike. An eminent authority says: "In no other case has nature crowded such a wealth of valuable nutriment into such a small space."

GIVES ENERGY

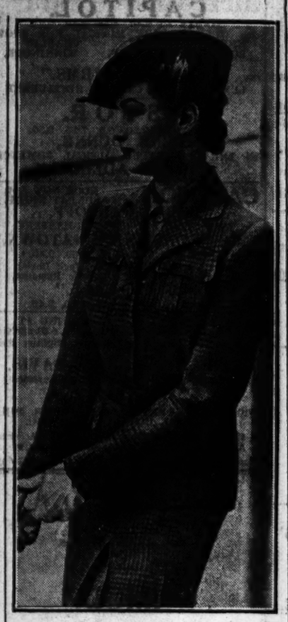
Remember, therefore, that tiredness is the great enemy of beauty, and do not be afraid to eat some chocolate to give you back your energy quickly and remove those tired, drawn lines from your face.

It is interesting to know that chocolate was first brought to Europe by the Spanish soldiers with the vast treasures looted from the palaces and temples of ancient Mexico. Montezuma, Emperor of Mexico, liked chocolate so much that he had 50 pitchers of it prepared daily for his own use. He liked chocolate rich and strong. It was whipped up stiff so that a spoon would stand upright in it, flavoured with vanilla, and served in golden goblets, cold, so that it melted in the mouth like honey. The early Mexicans called chocolate "the food of the gods."

The introduction of milk chocolate increased the food value and popularity of the sweetmeat that has now been ranked as among essential foods. A half-pound of the very finest milk chocolate contains 1½ glasses of full cream milk, a quarter-pound has the same food value as a meal consisting of a glass of milk, two poached eggs and a slice of buttered toast.

For generations of women, in all walks of life, chocolate has been a romantic gift; for soldiers an iron ration; for explorers an energy-giving power unparalleled in the whole range of foods known to man.

There has always been a curious and romantic link between chocolate and beauty. The Spaniards were struck by the beauty of the Mexican women, whose principal drink was chocolate. Many of the beautiful women in history have been chocolate drinkers, in particular Maria Theresa, Infanta of Spain, who popularised chocolate in the Court of France.



HEATHER: Emerald and violet check tweed typifies the new theme in town and country suits. This smart Matita model has high revers on the belted jacket and four pleated shooting pockets, with button flaps. Box pleats in the skirt front and an inverted back pleat give good fulness. The parma crêpe blouse has a width-giving back pleat, small collar and two high pockets.

FASHIONS FROM PARIS

BY OUR PARIS CORRESPONDENT.

ALL great cities have distinguishing features, distinctive personalities. London most certainly is a man's town. Paris, on the other hand, is a woman's city, and Paris herself is a woman. A woman makes the best of any situation, carrying her head high with a smile on her lips, so Paris, being a woman, is beginning to smile again. The events which led up to the war shocked her, but she is finding her stride once more, and everyone knows that she has a distinguished stride.

Hints of intentions to change the shape of our clothes have become ultimatums in some of the French dressmaking places. Longish jackets and draped skirts that don't spread to "swing" size make the day-time styles look very different. Skirts are longer; they are not really long—and nothing to disturb those girls who really love short skirts—but they are definitely somewhat longer than the skirts we've been wearing for some time. Suits with circular skirts paired off with longer jackets are entirely different in effect from the same skirts with those short basque jackets of last season.

WASP WAISTLINES

Waistlines are growing positively waspish, but they are charming, because the whole thing is a trick of cut and girdles. There are capes. There are over-skirts with colourful under-skirts that show below them. Daytime necklines are mostly high, with a bow of the material tied at the neck, or with collars or irregular cut or trimming. Dainty jabots at the throat and flowers tucked into the waistline leave no doubt about the new "pro-feminine" views of the war-time fashions. Femininity rules supreme, and simplicity blends with a lot of details. With the return to feminine elegance and simplicity, Paris fashions necessarily have revived draping and shirring.

Giving a new touch to last season's hat or frock is a Parisian gift, and to-day this ability to brighten up her old wardrobe is standing the Frenchwoman in good stead. It is a valuable asset in these days of curtailed dress allowances, and there are many clever innovations to be seen. For instance, a last season's pill-box hat swathed in a length of bright coloured wool fish-net veiling can be made to look very attractive, very up-to-date. A felt sports hat can be cleaned and brightened up with a bright-coloured quill and a *gros-grain* ribbon around the crown, or a big bow of *faille* ribbon of the same colour is another interesting way of doing up an old hat.

PILLAR-BOX HATS

Those hats which are sold with scarves to match—little pillar-box hats, mounted on square scarves, tying peasant fashion under the chin—are quaint, and reminiscent of 1900 century pictures of Polish women riding in sleighs. The round toques—often in material to match the gown, and trimmed with a floating veil or a jewelled ornament in front—are one of the latest millinery novelties. And amusing "epaulette" trimmings is another war-time novelty, this being done in clipped feathers or black silk fringe.

TOPICAL TURQUOISE

Carved turquoise is a semi-precious stone, much in demand at the moment for large cameo brooches and ear-rings. Sometimes the turquoise is uncut and highly polished, and is set in a frame of heavy platinum. It can then be worn like a slide in the hair or fixed to the edge of a fur lapel. Uneven stones of brilliant colour are "invisibly set" and made into drop ear-rings for evening wear. Turquoise rings, mounted on a huge platinum bezel, have the surface engraved with strange birds and flowers or the family crest or a favourite inscription.

THIS WEEK'S RECIPE

KIPPER KEDGEREE

1 pair kippers, 1 oz. margarine or butter, 1 cooking egg, 4 ozs. rice (boiled), seasoning, little evaporated milk (unsweetened).

Boil the kippers and remove the flesh from the larger bones. Melt the butter in a saucepan; add rice and seasoning and mix well. Stir in the beaten egg and a little condensed milk, together with the flaked kipper. Shake over a gentle heat until thoroughly hot. Pile on a hot dish and serve garnished with parsley.

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2.30-3.0—Broadcast to Schools. Travel Talks: Walter Starkie, M.A., Litt.D., M.R.I.A., F.R.S.A.
5.30—The Twins: Bunty and Ginger at Home. A Game, "My Aunt Flora."
6. 0—Adolphe Gebler's Wood Wind Ensemble: Czardas No. 2 (Michiels), Pretty Mocking Bird (Bishop), Bavarina, Landler (Wilm), Nuits Algeriennes (Suite) (Gumbert).
6.25—Domhnall O Conaill leis an Ath. Tomas O Laimhin.
6.40—Stock Exchange, Sports Results, Official Announcements.
6.45—To-day's News.
7. 0—Calling All Listeners: Michael Farrell.
7.10—Town Hall To-night: Presentation of "Arrah na Pogue," by John Stephenson.
8. 5—From Handel to Verdi: Hooton Mitchell, with Irish Radio Orchestra (Conductor, Captain J. M. Doyle). Orchestra: Occasional Ov. (Handel), Hooton Mitchell, with Orchestra: Recit., The last farewell (Gluthee ("Simon Boccanegra") (Verdi); Aria, Tortured and torn with suffering. Hooton Mitchell, with Piano: No! She has never loved me (Verdi)), Solo from "Messiah" (Handel), Orchestra: Water Music (Handel-Harty), Hooton Mitchell, with Orchestra: Recit., I weep, I melt, I burn ("Acis and Galatea") (Handel); Aria, O ruddier than the cherry, Hooton Mitchell, with Piano: Recit., I feel the Deity within ("Judas Maccabaeus"); Aria, Arm, arm, ye brave (Handel), Honour and arms (Samson). Orchestra: Verdi Memories (arr. Worch).
8.50—Nunchi an Lae.
9. 0—Sponsored Programme.
10. 0—To-night's News.
10.20—"Ireland is Singing," presented by Donagh MacDonagh, with Arthur Darley (Guitar) and Two Singers.

NEWS IN ENGLISH

a.m.
12.15—Hamburg (532m.), Bremen (396m.).
12.30—Rome (19.61 m., 25.4m., 30.52m, 31.16m.). B.B.C. Overseas (30.96m., 49.59m.).
1. 0—Paris-Mondial (30.99m.).
1.15—Germany DJD (19.74m.), 25.49m., 30.22m.)
1.45—Wayne (25.56m.).
3. 0—Bound Brook (31.02m.), Pittsburg (25.26m., Tuesday to Saturday).
3.30—Germany DJD (for U.S.A.).
4. 0—Wayne (31.09m.).
5. 0—Germany DJD (for U.S.A.
5.15—Paris-Mondial.
6.15—B.B.C. Overseas.
6.55—Wayne (48.62m.).
7. 0—B.B.C. Home (391.1m., 449.1m.).
8. 0—B.B.C. Home and Overseas.
8.15—Paris-Mondial (19.38m. and 25.24m.).
8.45—Melbourne (953.32m.—Sunday at 9.20 a.m.)
9. 0—B.B.C. Overseas.
9.45—Rome (19.61m.).
10.15—Hamburg, Bremen.
10.45—B.B.C. Overseas
11. 0—Moscow (25.77m.), Rome (16.84m., 25.4m.), Paris-Mondial (19.68m

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LEGAL NOTICES.

NOTICE OF CHARITABLE DONATIONS AND BEQUESTS.
In the Goods of
FRANCIS FRIEDRICH WARNER, late of 51 Anglesea road, Donnybrook, Dublin (Retired Secretary), Deceased.
Notice is hereby given, pursuant to the Statute 30 and 31 Vic., Cap. 54, that the above-named Deceased, by his Will dated 27th October, 1937, made the following charitable bequests:—The Testator directed (after provision for payment of debts and setting apart a fund for an annuity of £150) that his Residuary Estate shall be held by his Trustees for payment of the income therefrom to his wife for life, and thereafter upon trust to pay the income therefrom to some one or more of the three persons therein named, subject to the events therein stated, and upon the termination of such life interests it was directed that the Trustees should raise and pay free of legacy duty,
£500 to the Royal Hospital for Incurables, Donnybrook, Dublin, and
£500 to the Adelaide Hospital, Peter street, Dublin,
Subject as aforesaid, and a legacy of £200 free of duty and to a life interest in the residue to the person therein named that upon his death one-half of the income shall be payable to the Widow of the Legatee for life, with remainder to the children therein mentioned.
The principal of the (then) remaining half of the residue shall be payable to the said two Hospitals equally, and Testator thereby appointed the said two Hospitals his Residuary Legatees, subject to the proviso therein mentioned as to the Accounts and Administration of the Trust Estate.
The Testator died on the 4th September, 1939, and Probate of his said Will was granted forth of the Principal Probate Registry of the High Court of Justice, Eire, on the 9th January, 1940, to the Governor and Company of the Bank of Ireland, College Green, Dublin, and Ciara Thunscelda Warner, of 51 Anglesea road, Donnybrook, Dublin, the Executors and Trustees named in the said Will.
Dated 17th January, 1940.
ALFRED E. WALKER, Solicitor for the Executors, 1 College street, Dublin.
To the Commissioners of Charitable Donations and Bequests, and all persons concerned.

NOTICE OF CHARITABLE DONATIONS AND BEQUESTS.
In the Goods of
JOHN ALEXANDER LANPHIER, late of "Killaney," Upper Glenageary road, Dun Laoghaire, County Dublin (Retired Bank Official), Deceased.
Notice is hereby given, pursuant to the Statute 30 and 31 Vic., Cap. 54, that the above-named Deceased by his Will and Codicil dated respectively 29th August, 1932, and 12th April, 1939, made the following charitable bequests:—To the Institute in Dublin known as Mrs Smyly's Homes and Schools for necessitous children, the sum of two hundred pounds. To the Royal Hospital for Incurables in Donnybrook, in the County of Dublin the sum of one hundred pounds. To the Institute in Dublin known as "Miss Carr's Home" for destitute children, the sum of one hundred pounds.
The Testator died on the 21st September, 1939, and Probate of his said Will was granted forth of the Principal Probate Registry of the High Court of Justice, Eire, on the 6th November, 1939, to Francis Millett Clarke, of 125 Rathgar road, Dublin, one of the Executors named in the said Will.
Dated 17th January, 1940.
ALFRED E. WALKER, Solicitor for the Executor, 1 College street, Dublin.
To the Commissioners of Charitable Donations and Bequests, and all others whom it may concern.

Notice of Sitting for Proof of Debts.—21.
HIGH COURT OF JUSTICE—IN BANKRUPTCY.
In the Matter of
EDWARD ERNEST WRIGHT, Junior, of Kilkea, Mageney, in the County of Kildare, Gentleman, a Bankrupt.
A Public Sitting in this Matter will be held before the Registrar at the Law Courts, Dublin, on Wednesday, the 7th day of February, 1940, at the hour of twelve o'clock, noon, for the Proof and Admission of Debts and for the vouching of the Official Assignee's account.
A creditor may prove his Debt at the Sitting, or send his Affidavit of Debt in the prescribed form or his detailed account to the under-named Official Assignee four days previously to the Sitting in order to have the same admitted.
Dated this 17th day of January, 1940.
W. CONNELL, Bankruptcy Clerk.
JAMES J. DOYLE, Official Assignee,
The Law Courts, Dublin.
BENNETT THOMPSON & EDWARDS,
Solicitors for the Assignee, 12 Molesworth street, Dublin.

IN THE GOODS OF
MARY MANGAN, late of Kilmuckridge, Gorey, in the County of Wexford, Spinster, Deceased.
Notice is hereby given, pursuant to the Statute 30 and 31 Vic., Ch. 54, that the above-named Mary Mangan, who died on the 1st June, 1939, by her Will dated 28th October, 1932, bequeathed the following Charitable Legacy—that is to say,
The Rest Residue and Remainder of her Property when converted into money as directed by her said Will to the Parish Priest for the time being of the Parish of Kilmuckridge for Masses to be said in a public place or places of worship in Ireland open to the public for the repose of her soul and the souls of her deceased Uncles, Peter and Patrick Walsh, and the souls of her deceased Aunts, Anne Walsh and Bridget Walsh, at an honorarium of 7/6d. each for each Mass.
And Notice is hereby further given that Letters of Administration with said Will annexed were on the 27th September, 1939, granted to the Reverend John N. Sinnott, of Litter, Kilmuckridge, aforesaid, Parish Priest of the Parish of Kilmuckridge, forth of the District Probate Registry at Waterford of the High Court of Justice, Eire.
Dated this 17th day of January, 1940.
KIRWAN & KIRWAN, Solicitors for the Administrator, 1 Rowe street, Wexford.

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Lucas and McManus—
"OLD MOTHER RILEY, M.P."
Ken Maynard—"Six Shootin' Sheriff."
Mats. till 5 p.m., 9d., 1/4. Evgs., 9d., 1/-, 1/4, 1/9.

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Con. 3.0 to 10.30 p.m.
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MONDAY NEXT,
3 P.M. AND 8.15 P.M.,
LAMOND.

THE WICKLOW HARRIERS' HUNT BALL,
TO BE HELD AT
LARAGH HOUSE, ANNAMOE,
HAS BEEN POSTPONED UNTIL
SATURDAY, JANUARY 27th
(NIGHT OF THE RED CROSS 'CHASE).
ALL ARRANGEMENTS HAVE BEEN MADE TO ENSURE ITS SUCCESS.

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EXAMINATIONS IN 1940
will be held three times in Dublin and district, beginning March, June, and November. ENTRIES for March due by 31st January. SYLLABUS and ENTRY FORMS obtainable from Honorary Local Representative—R. Lennox Braid, Esq., Fairfield, 87 Mount Prospect Ave., Clontarf, or from Secretary, 15 Bedford square, London, W.C.1, to whom all entries should be sent.

TO-DAY'S ENGAGEMENTS

Dublin District Court—10.30 a.m.
High and Circuit Courts—11 a.m.
Circuit Criminal Court—11 a.m.
Special Criminal Court—11 a.m.
Bank of Ireland Meeting—1 p.m.
Apple Exhibition—N.A.I.D.A., 3 St. Stephen's Green, 3 p.m.
Royal Dublin Society's Lecture—4 p.m.
Charity Performance — Alexandra College, 8.15 p.m.
Dublin Literary Society Meeting—8 p.m.
Institute of Motor Trade Dance—Metropole, 11 p.m.
Castleknock College Union Dance—Gresham Hotel, 9 p.m.
Ward Union Hunt Ball—American Legation, 9 p.m.

SPORT.
Hockey — Leinster v. Connaught, Londonbridge road, 3.0.

AMUSEMENTS.
Gaiety Theatre—"Jimmy and the Leprechaun."
Olympia Theatre—"Cinderella."
Abbey Theatre—"Juno and the Paycock."
Gate Theatre—"Hamlet."
Metropole Cinema—"Stanley and Livingstone."
Grafton Cinema—"Slave Ship."
Corinthian Cinema — "Murder Will Out" and "Sweepstakes Winner."
Theatre De Luxe—"She Married a Cop" and "In Old Monterey."
Queen's Theatre—"Robinson Crusoe."
Theatre Royal—Variety and "Our Neighbours the Carters."
Regal Rooms Cinema—"Wuthering Heights."
The Green Cinema—"Old Mother Riley, M.P." and "Six Shootin' Sheriff."
Pavilion Cinema, Dun Laoghaire—"Second Fiddle."
Savoy Cinema—"Blackmail."
Capitol Cinema—"Babes in Arms."
Astor Cinema—"Sweet Adeline."
Carlton Cinema—"Mr. Wong in Chinatown" and "Wolf Call."
Adelphi Cinema—"Juarez."
Moonlight Skating — Zoo Gardens, Phœnix Park, 10 a.m. to 11 p.m.

THE SUN.

	To-day.	To-morrow.
Rises	8.30	8.29
Sets	4.42	4.44
Lighting-up Time	5.12	5.14

HIGH WATER AT DUBLIN.

	To-day.	To-morrow
Morning	6.17	7.28
Evening	6.51	7.58

HIGH WATER AT OTHER PORTS.

	Morning.	Evening.
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Dundalk	6. 2	6.46
Galway	11.57	—
Limerick	1. 0	1.27
Sligo	0.14	12.51
Waterford	0.22	12.50

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NEWS SUMMARY

IRELAND

Mr. Justice O'Byrne has been appointed a Judge of the Supreme Court in Ireland, filling the vacancy caused by the retirement of Mr. Justice Johnston. Mr. Justice O'Byrne has been a High Court Judge for thirteen years.—(Page 5.)

ABROAD

Finnish troops are reported to have advanced 27 miles on the Salla front.—(Page 5.)

South Africa's first war-time Parliament will meet to-day. General Smuts (the Premier), it is stated, is assured of a majority.—(Page 5.)

Yesterday was a day of surprises in many countries: Rome radio broadcast a report that an expeditionary force of 100,000 men had left Paris for Finland.—(Page 5.)

Finnish headquarters on the northern front have suddenly stopped supplying information about the present operations, and foreign correspondents report an impression that big developments may be impending.—(Page 5.)

FINANCIAL

Gilt-edged securities proved the centre of attraction in the London Stock Markets yesterday, and in response to active bidding prices developed strength. This movement cheered sentiment, and few groups were without their share of bright spots.—(Page 9.)

A firmer tone was evident in markets on the Dublin Stock Exchange yesterday,

SAVOY At 2.45, 5.5, 7.22, 9.39.
EDWARD G. ROBINSON,
IN HIS GREATEST DRAMA,
"BLACKMAIL,"
With RUTH HUSSY GENE LOCKHART.
Book Now for 8.30 Sunday Show.

CAPITOL.
TO-DAY AT 2.40, 4.55, 7.10, 9.25.
2nd WEEK OF THE MUSICAL FUN SHOW.
MICKEY ROONEY, JUDY GARLAND, CHARLES WINNINGER,
in
"BABES IN ARMS."
LUNCH AT THE CAPITOL RESTAURANT

ASTOR.
TO-DAY AT 2.50, 5.5, 7.15, 9.30.
IRENE DUNNE,
IN THE DELIGHTFUL MUSICAL ROMANCE,
"SWEET ADELINE."

CARLTON BOOK NOW FOR SUNDAY NIGHT.
BORIS KARLOFF,
IN THE BAFFLING SUPER-MYSTERY
"MR. WONG IN CHINATOWN."
Showing at 2.55, 5.15, 7.30, 9.40.
Also Lovely MOVITA (Mrs. Jack Doyle)
In JACK LONDON'S Dramatic Romance,
"WOLF CALL."
Showing at 2 o'c., 4.15, 6.30, 8.45.

ADELPHI SHOWING AT 2.25, 4.38, 6.51 and 9.4.
The Greatest Stars in a Triumph Mightier than "ZOLA."
PAUL MUNI, BETTE DAVIS,
Together in their Unforgettable Achievement,
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MERRION
DUBLIN.

and Home Funds and Industrials again showed to advantage. Rails were active and higher, and among British issues Textiles attracted buyers.—(Page 9.)

Afflavit Deus

"God blew with his winds, and they were scattered," ran the inscription on a medal which was struck to commemorate England's victory over the Spanish Armada. The people of Finland fittingly might strike a medal with some similar inscription; for thus far the elements have been their most potent ally. One hardly can forbear to believe that Providence is at work on their side when one considers that this winter, during which they fight for their lives and independence, has been the coldest for twenty years. The Finns can bear cold which would kill any other European people—"they possess," says an agency correspondent this morning, "the look of athletes accustomed to week-ending in blizzards for the fun of it"—and they not only survive, but fight, in weather which has bereft their enemies of any desire except to retreat. One night at the beginning of this week the thermometer in Dublin dropped to twenty degrees below freezing point. That was cold such as Ireland seldom has experienced—such as she certainly has not experienced for many years—but it was summer warmth in comparison with the temperature on the Finnish fronts, where the thermometer stands at something like fifty or sixty degrees below freezing point. The Finns have no desire to see it rise. Their hope of a successful resistance lies in a continuance of the bitter weather which has worked such havoc among their enemies—weather which, if report is true, is killing the Russian invaders as rapidly as the bullets of the Finns themselves can kill. Russians are accustomed to cold, but they are not accustomed to fight in it; and another month or two of the present conditions well might complete the rout that has been in process for the past three weeks. While the frost lasts, not only are the Russian infantry and artillery at a disadvantage, but air-raids, of necessity, are infrequent and comparatively ineffective. It is little wonder that they are praying in the Finnish churches for weeks of cold.

It may be too much to hope that the Russian invasion will be repelled once and for all. Sooner or later spring must come, bringing a thaw with it, and then the appalling weight of the Soviet armaments will be hurled upon a small—and by then, no doubt, a tired—people. Already, however, the Finnish resistance has commanded the whole world's admiration, and its admiration is beginning to take a practical form. The rumours of volunteers, coming from many countries to assist the Finns, increase daily. Many of these rumours may be untrue; many may be exaggerated wildly; but there must be a nucleus of truth in them. It is far from inconceivable that, by the time when Finland stands in greatest need of help, it may be available. The Italians have more reason than most countries to stand clear of the Russo-Finnish conflict, since, for all their hatred of Communism, Russia is now the ally of their partner in the "axis"; yet the Italians have been sending, or trying to send, substantial supplies of munitions to Finland. Volunteers from Finland's Scandinavian neighbours are many, and there are whispers of the impending arrival of "soldiers of fortune" from the United States, Spain and other nations. Such is the respect for a small country which has fought a good fight; and such is the hatred that decent men retain for brutal aggression. There must be many people in Germany, too, who willingly would be fighting for the Finns if they were not engaged in a greater conflict. It is certain that even official Germany has been impressed by the Finnish resistance; for the Wilhelmstrasse's pronouncements on the campaign have not been such as to reveal any strong sympathy with the Russians. Political needs may compel Herr Hitler to declare that help for Finland will force him to readjust his attitude, but we can be sure that this grudging support of his ally is offered without any great enthusiasm. Both as a moral and as a physical adjunct to his cause, Russia is showing herself a broken reed.

There are abundant signs that the Russians have started to "panic." Not only has Stalin begun to seek scapegoats among the generals on the Finnish fronts, but he manifestly is alarmed by the rising tide of indignation and by the rumours of foreign help for the Finns. If report is true, he has asked Germany for a free hand against Norway and Sweden—with which nations he has been exchanging Notes during the past week—and has obtained a promise that Germany will not interfere. Whether Stalin would dare to take active measures against Norway and Sweden is very doubtful. It is very doubtful, for that matter, whether Herr Hitler, in spite of the reported promise, would permit him; for Herr Hitler has no desire to include the Scandinavian countries among his active enemies. The Führer's chief anxiety at the moment is to prevent the extension of the war to Scandinavia. The possibility of a British, or Anglo-French, guarantee to the Scandinavian nations—on the lines of their guarantees to Poland, Rumania and Greece—is, very naturally, a cause of alarm to them, since an alliance with these countries would provide the democratic Allies with a dangerously useful set of bases against Northern and Eastern Germany. Germany, indeed, must be wondering whether she did not do an extremely bad day's work when she made the fateful alliance with Russia. It is highly questionable whether Russia, in fact, will be a valuable source of supplies: it is equally questionable whether her soldiers would be of any great use if Russia should be drawn into the war with France and England. On the other hand, there is no doubt that the alliance has endangered Germany's friendship with the Italians, and that Stalin's unscrupulous invasion of Finland has not improved German prestige in the eyes of neutral nations. If Russia, turning her back upon Finland, tries to thrust southward against the Balkans, German diplomacy will suffer a rude shock.

The South African Union

To-day South Africa's first war-time Parliament will assemble in Cape Town under the Premiership of General Smuts. Keen interest is being displayed in the coming session—not only in the Union itself, but throughout the British Commonwealth—and the details of Sir Patrick Duncan's Speech from the Throne to-day are being awaited eagerly. Once again the two old protagonists of South African politics will face each other across the floor of the House of Representatives. Forty years ago General Smuts and General Hertzog were comrades in arms in the Boer War, during the course of which they both fought bravely against the British. After Vereenigung Smuts followed the late General Botha as a staunch supporter of the British connection—not, indeed, that either of them had any particular love for the British, but because they realised that the best interests of the South African people demanded the Union's loyal acceptance of Dominion status. General Hertzog never could accommodate himself to this point of view, although during the last war he did nothing to hinder South Africa's support of the British Empire. After the Armistice he fought stoutly against General Smuts, and when fifteen years ago he became Prime Minister of the Union he made no secret of his Republican sympathies. For some years it seemed as if General Hertzog eventually would lead South Africa out of the Commonwealth; but when the Statute of Westminster was passed nine years ago he made a complete *volte face*, and declared that South African Republicanism was dead. Thereafter there was a welcome reconciliation between the Hertzog and Smuts parties in the Union. A coalition Government was formed, and the two former opponents worked closely together in opposition to Dr. Malan's small, but influential, group of extreme separatists. The forty-year-old problem in South Africa seemed to be solved. At last Boer and Briton had come together; and everything was going smoothly when the war broke out. Then the ancient division displayed itself again. General Hertzog, who was Prime Minister, wished to keep the Union out of the war, and insisted on a policy of neutrality. General Smuts, who was his second in command, took the view that the Union ought to throw in its lot with the other members of the Commonwealth, and on a Parliamentary division his policy was approved by a majority of thirteen votes. When the House of Representatives meets to-day this majority is like'y to be increased to seventeen votes. The Government, which comprises the Dominion and Labour Parties, is expected to command eighty-three votes, as against General Hertzog's thirty-seven and Dr. Malan's twenty-nine—a total opposition of sixty-six. Various efforts have been made since September to bring about some measure of co-operation between General Smuts and General Hertzog; but, so far, they have been without success. On the broad issue of continued membership of the British Commonwealth they are completely at one. General Hertzog has refused resolutely to make common cause with Dr. Malan; but, whereas General Smuts believes that South Africa's interests call for active participation in the war, General Hertzog contends that they would be served more usefully by neutrality. It is a great pity that this clash of policies should have occurred at a time when the old feuds between Boer and Briton were being forgotten in the Union, and a South African nation was being evolved out of elements that at one time had seemed to be irreconcilable. South Africa's most intimate interest in the present struggle is concerned with the future of the former colony of "German South-West," for which the Union obtained a mandate from the League of Nations twenty-one years ago. Members of all parties in the Union are determined that this territory shall not be given back to the Germans, and it is largely for that reason that General Smuts has carried the Union into the war. Now that an irrevocable decision has been taken, it is to be hoped that the two parties will be able to join forces again. Ultimately South Africa's major problem is concerned with the survival in the Union of the white race, and she cannot afford the luxury of political strife within her borders.

The Middle Classes

We notice that the very large and important body of citizens known as the middle classes has sustained another nasty knock. At an inter-University debate in Galway, which was participated in by ladies and gentlemen from Dublin, Belfast and Cork, as well as the home team, it was resolved with the utmost solemnity that "The ever-growing influence of the middle classes is a serious impediment to the development of a satisfactory social system." It does not appear from the short report of the proceedings before us that the meeting decided to take any action, but it must have been obvious to them that such a deplorable state of affairs could not be permitted to continue. The middle classes must be put in their place; we cannot have them clogging the wheels of progress in this disgusting fashion. As Mr. Sean O hEigeartaigh, of T.C.D., profoundly observed, in kicking off for the affirmative, "the middle classes have been allowed to continue for too long the system of providing machinery to increase production in order to enrich themselves." The audacity of their conduct is apparent at once when presented in a single, crisp sentence like that. One never knows what they will be up to next. Probably it was sinister middle-class influence that prompted the Galway undergraduates to have a dance this year instead of a *ceilidhe*—a decision viewed with misgiving by Mr. O hEigeartaigh, who expressed the hope that it was not "a sign of weakness." It has been clear for a long time, of course, that a *ceilidhe*, where strenuous Irish dances are played at furious speed, is no place for weaklings; but we were under the impression that the tempo was more merciful in the West. As we have pointed out previously, the insidious introduction of a really aggressive saxophone into a *ceilidhe* band might lead eventually to the employment of a jazz drummer to stir up "The Waves of Tory" and make "The Walls of Limerick" sound as if King William was bombarding them once more. This is the sort of conduct that would suggest itself to the middle classes, according to the implications of the debate in Galway. "Fair play's a jewel," however, and we are glad to observe that another speaker from T.C.D., Mr. J. D. W. Hughes, stoutly maintained that the great periods of art had been periods when the middle classes had been supreme, and he scored a distinct hit against the *Gaedhilgeoiri* when he pointed out that the Irish revival movement had been almost entirely the work of men of middle class origin; but such arguments were of no avail against the school of thought which believes that the middle classes exist for the oppression of the lower classes. As "middle classes" is a term loosely applied to the commercial and professional classes between the nobility, landed gentry and clergy on the one hand, and the labouring classes on the other, it would be interesting to know in which category the debaters place themselves. In view of the fact that most graduates of our universities embark upon professional or commercial careers, the strange fact seems to emerge that some of the speakers were urging their own abolition!

FROM "THE TIMES"

(BY SPECIAL ARRANGEMENT.)

TENSION RELAXED

In a leading article to-day *The Times* says:—Wintry weather, with poor visibility and snowed-up roads, has probably settled, for the moment, at any rate, the question whether the Nazi High Command is, or is not, about to launch an assault on the Western front *via* Holland-Belgium. Surprise being one of Hitler's favourite weapons in war as in diplomacy, it can never be said for certain that no prospect of such an attack exists. Hitler is ready to attack any neighbour at any moment, and, since he has no regard for the given pledge, the fact that he has formally assured both the Dutch and Belgian Governments that he has no designs against them, only makes it more likely that if, and when, a general offensive in the West is ordered from Berlin, it should be carried out through the neutral countries on either flank of the Maginot defensive system. Nor does the building of an electrified fence along the frontier necessarily mean more, one way or the other, than anxiety to conceal what is happening on the German side of it. The Germans built one along the Dutch frontier during the last war, but its purpose then was that of a barrier to spies and smugglers from the west and to deserters and escaping prisoners from the German side.

The moment that the Nazi leaders consider the occupation of the Low Countries to be both advantageous and practicable without undue losses, they will attempt it—without warning. The advantage of securing submarine bases opposite England, as in the last war, is supplemented this time by the additional gain of getting air bases close enough to send escorts of fighters with the bombers to the British Isles. On the other hand, they would greatly lengthen their front, and bring in two more countries against them. These two countries are both determined to render a good account of themselves militarily if attacked, and the value of Holland as a neutral *entrepot* State, which is considerable, would be destroyed. The blockade of Germany from the West would be simplified for the British Navy, and Holland could not maintain her valuable live stock for a month in the winter without the feeding which is now brought to her across the Atlantic; and, if British targets would be brought closer for German airmen, so would German targets for British airmen.

These are all arguments against attempting the invasion. The moral effect of a sudden onslaught upon small neutral neighbours would hardly count for much, since Nazi credit for the decencies of international intercourse already stands so low; but it would tend to drive home still further to the neutrals the lesson that they must stand together or they may fall separately. It is one of the satisfactory points of recent anxieties that Holland has come out as firmly on the side of Belgium as Belgium, when a similar crisis arose last November, came out on the side of Holland. If Germany intended to attack on either occasion her abstention has undoubtedly been not a little due to the spirited and united reaction of King Leopold and Queen Wilhelmina. Each successive crisis finds them more united than before, and their Armies and Air Forces better prepared for collaboration.

COURT AND PERSONAL

FROM THE COURT CIRCULAR.
BUCKINGHAM PALACE, Thursday.

The King, accompanied by the Queen, inspected various military units in the Aldershot Command to-day.

The Lady Nunburnholme and Lieutenant-Colonel the Hon. Piers Legh were in attendance upon Their Majesties.

The Princess Royal visited the A.T.S. Girls' Hostel in York on Wednesday last.

Princess Alice Countess of Athlone inspected, on Wednesday last, a detachment of nineteen volunteers of the Women's Transport Service (First-Aid Nursing Yeomanry), who are leaving London shortly to serve with the Finnish Red Cross.

The Marquess of Hamilton has left Baron's Court.

The Earl of Granard, who arrived in Dublin on Wednesday last from London, has left for Castle Forbes, Co. Longford.

Lady Eleanor Keane has arrived in London from Dublin.

Lord Killanin has left Ireland for England.

Lord Templemore has arrived in Dublin and will proceed to Dunbrody Park, Wexford.

Lady Greer has returned to Dublin from the North of Ireland.

Mr. and Mrs. W. Aitken, who have spent the past few weeks with Mrs. Aitken's parents, Sir John and Lady Maffey, at Farmhill, Dundrum, have returned to England.

Owing to the postponement of the Leopardstown Steeplechase from 20th to 27th January, the Limerick Hunt Ball will now take place on 27th January, at the Royal Hibernian Hotel.

The Marchioness of Ely has returned to Ely Lodge, Enniskillen, from London.

Sir Alexander and Lady Roger are giving a dance to-night (Friday) at their town house in London prior to dismantling it for the duration of the war.

Mr. Derek de Stacpoole returned to England last night.

The Marquise de la Moussaye is now residing permanently in Paris.

The engagement is announced between the Rev. Dermot George Wallace Griffith, B.A., son of Mr. and Mrs. W. T. Griffith, Drumbanagher, Jerrettspass, Co. Armagh, and Louisa Alice (Lulu), daughter of the late Thomas Henry Quin, Stradbally, Leix, and Mrs. Quin, Avondale, Trees road, Mount Merrion Park, Blackrock, Co. Dublin.

A marriage has been arranged, and will take place towards the end of April, between Angus Kerr, elder son of Mr. and Mrs. Angus H. Hamilton, Woodside, Newrath, Waterford, and Margaret Anne, only daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Robert Brodie, Coolfin, Portlaw, Co. Waterford.

The Wicklow Harriers' Hunt Ball has been postponed until Saturday, January 27th.

Switzers are offering discontinued numbers in the well-known "Berlei" Corsets and Corselettes at greatly reduced Sale Prices—usually 38/6 to 63/-, now only 25/6 to 39/6.
Buy your Fur Coat now at Barnardo's Winter Sale. Splendid value from 6½ guineas. See windows.—Barnardo's, 108 Grafton st.
For her wedding Miss De Vere Hunt chose a Period Gown of Mediterranean Blue Velvet, with long train falling from under a draped bustle. Her velvet hat of the same shade was mounted with fine veiling. Going away suit of Irish tweed with hat to match and Complete Trousseau by Femina, Ltd.
Bridesmaids' Gowns of Sapphire Blue Velvet, with ruched cone-shaped headdresses and muffs, also by Femina, Ltd., 9 Wicklow street.
An excellent Table d'Hôte Luncheon can be had for 2s. 6d. at Mitchell's, 9, 10 and 11 Grafton street.
For Leopardstown. A cosy coat in lambswool in the new duck egg shade for 5½ gns. at Slyne's, Ltd., 71 Grafton street.

PASSENGERS BY ROYAL MAIL STEAMERS.
Among the arrivals were:—Senator and Mrs. James Crosbie, Mrs. Calubeck, Mrs. B. Ball, A. C. Fane.
Among the departures were:—Mrs. C. D. Coyle, M. Gibbon, P. Callan, C. E. Turner, M. E. Kelly, Mr. and Mrs. McGall, Miss J. Fitzgerald, Miss V. G. Proctor.
PASSENGERS BY R. AND I. LINE VIA LIVERPOOL.
Among the departures were:—Lord Killanin, Mr. E. M. Becher, Mr. Capian, Rev. Father Lawrence, Mr. Horne, Mr. D. Sinnott, Mr. J. Brouter, Mr. T. Lunney, Mr. W. Somerville, Mr. Odlum, Master Gray, Mr. W. L. S. Knox Gore, Mr. Acheson, Mr. C. Harvey, Right Rev. P. Rogan, Mr. W. J. Costigan, Mr. Miss Costigan, Mr. Pearson, Mrs. Brown, Mr. Stephenson, Rev. J. McGrath, Miss Denham, Miss K. Kerans, Mr. Aizlewood, Mrs. Carr, Mrs. Japp, Mrs. Gaines, Miss Berni, Mr. Booth, Miss Whigham, Mr. Harpur, Mrs. Aitken, Mr. Bell, Mr. T. J. Malone, Mrs. Everatt, Rev. P. Hastings, Rev. S. Stales, Mr. P. Forbes, Mr. J. Drew, Mr. C. Murray, Miss Meagher, Mr. Gillette, Dr. Sanderson, Miss K. E. Murphy, Master Murphy.

14 College Green is a branch of Stephens and Bourke, Ltd., Shoemakers, 26 Stephen's Green.

Davis and Co.—Fur-trimmed Coats, Black and Colours, clearing regardless of cost, 89/6 to 9½ Guineas. Usual prices 5½ Guineas to 12½ Guineas.—46 Grafton street.

Sharpley's, Specialists, Baby Linen, Nursery, Accouchement Sets. Price List—2 Nassau St., Dublin.

25 YEARS AGO

From the *Irish Times*, 19th January, 1915

The German Losses.

The last five Prussian casualty lists, according to a Copenhagen correspondent, contained 877,109 names of officers and men killed, wounded and missing, thus bringing the total Prussian losses to date up to 877,109.

The total Austrian losses showed 240,140 wounded, 43,090 killed, and about 11,000 missing.

Total German losses to date on all fronts were estimated by a Danish newspaper at two and a-quarter millions.

"Desperate Bayonet Fighting."

Despite the deep snow, fighting was again in progress along the frozen banks of the Vistula. The Russian despatch spoke of waves of German attacks and desperate bayonet fighting. A great German onslaught apparently had been made on the Russian lines along the left bank, and the Russians in several places admitted retreat. At one place seventeen successive attacks were made during the day on the Russian trenches.

English Cocoa for Germany?

The following teleg

LONDON LETTER

A WHITE BOOK ON POLAND

59 FLEET STREET, LONDON,
THURSDAY NIGHT.

A WHITE Book, giving details of the alleged ill-treatment of the Polish population by the Germans, is to be published simultaneously in French and English in the course of the next few days.

The book, based on documents and evidence supplied by Polish nationals and others who have experienced the terror in Poland, will show how the invaders are endeavouring ruthlessly to stamp out every spark of Polish national life. It is reported that a great number of intellectuals and people of the better classes have been subjected to terrible treatment, and that many of them have lost their lives.

Shop Hours Protest

A meeting was held in London to-day to protest against black-out restrictions and the closing of shops at seven o'clock. It is maintained that business is hampered by the drastic character of the black-out, and that shops should be allowed to keep open until eight o'clock on week-days and nine on Saturdays. Complaints of the compulsory early closing of shops are not confined to London. It is held that not only shopkeepers, but customers as well, object to the present regulations, since the people now engaged in the manufacture of war material are working later than before the war and find the shops closed when they are released. Many small businesses in London and the larger towns have been closed, and it is asserted that early closing and the black-out are the principal causes.

French Visitors in London

French newspaper proprietors and journalists now on a visit to London express astonishment at the completeness of the black-out. They find London darker than they expected, while the speed of the traffic appears to be miraculous. One Parisian observed that the people must have trained their eyes to see well in the dark. "The black-out in London is like the tomb," another remarked. "while in Paris every street lamp is lighted. There is not much light, of course, but the impression is that Paris is brighter and more gay." At the same time, the newspaper men are surprised to find that underneath the darkness the restaurants, cabarets, cinemas and night-clubs are able to carry on till the small hours, and are crowded with people making merry. In the first fortnight of the war half of Paris was evacuated, and the shopping centres were dead; now, however, many shops have reopened, and in the day-time there is something like a return to normality.

Lighting Regulations

On Monday next some Government orders will come into operation which will affect motorists and pedestrians alike in the black-out. The official headlamp masks will become compulsory for all cars. People carrying torches are warned that they must cover the glass with two pieces of tissue paper, or their equivalent in thickness, and keep the light of the torch turned downwards. People are forbidden to wave their torches about or shine them into the faces of drivers in the traffic, and at the same time they are asked to use a torch only when they cannot see quite safely without one. It is also forbidden to shine a torch into the air in order to look at a clock, sign, or anything else. Any person breaking these instructions will be liable to arrest or to police court proceedings.

Turkish Tobacco

The announcement that the interest on the £25,000,000 loan by Britain and France to Turkey is to be used to buy Turkish produce, particularly tobacco, has given rise to rumours which lack foundation. The Government has not yet authorised any statement on the manner in which the tobacco is to be employed, but if it becomes necessary for all cigarettes to contain some Turkish tobacco the proportion will not be large. Possibly some of the cigarettes of the cheaper brands may be improved by the addition of Turkish tobacco, which is rather milder than some of the Empire tobaccos largely used in their manufacture. An early announcement is expected of the Government's views as to the manner in which the Turkish produce should be employed. No legislation on the subject will be necessary if the tobacco manufacturers co-operate with the Government as they are expected to, since it is recognised that this is a practical method of providing much-needed assistance to Turkey.

Food Production Plan

The British War Office and the Ministry of Agriculture have approved a scheme whereby men engaged on home defence duties may give valuable assistance in the production of food. All that is required to make the plan a success is a Government grant of some £5,000 for equipment and seeds. A conference of representatives from Government Departments is to meet almost at once to complete arrangements. The scheme is on lines similar to one that was worked with success in the last war, and is being organised by Mr. Gordon Parker, who anticipates no difficulty in getting the necessary plots of ground for use by the men who in the country districts have a very dull time and would welcome the opportunity of doing some useful gardening. He estimates that if only one half of the men put in one hour each day units soon would be self-supporting, so far as vegetables are concerned. The scheme may also lead to some of the men acquiring a permanent interest in gardening and in the growth of their own food after the war.

London's Kosher Meat

London's kosher meat market has stood opposite Aldgate Pump, in the City of London, for the past 400 years. Now, however, it has been removed to Smithfield as a war measure, and is not likely to return to its old site. Until only a few years ago the chosen cattle were driven into ancient slaughter-houses, which still stand as they did in Shakespeare's day, and through these houses passed all the Jewish meat consumed in London. Nearly all the meat is of the best quality, even the poorest Jews insisting on this. Very little imported meat is sold in the market. The weekly deliveries amount to hundreds of tons. Immediately on arrival all the meat is sprayed with water and certified by the Rabbi in accordance with ancient Jewish Custom. The Jewish butchers are unable to believe that the new arrangement will last. This, however, is not surprising; they are a very close fraternity, and in many cases their businesses have been kept for generations in one family. To them the closing of the markets breaks a link with London's past which they cannot well appreciate.

Awards to Irish Lifeboats

The Royal National Lifeboat Institution has made awards amounting to over £62 to its lifeboat crews at Dun Laoghaire and Wicklow who attempted to refloat a steamer with a hundred people on board which had run aground. The Dun Laoghaire lifeboat was out for twenty-five hours, the Wicklow lifeboat being out for over ten hours.

DAY OF SURPRISES IN MANY COUNTRIES

German A. A. Guns in Action at Sylt

RADIO STATIONS CLOSE AFTER MYSTERY ORDER

Expeditionary Force for Finland?

YESTERDAY was a day of surprises in many countries. Rome radio broadcast a report that an expeditionary force of 100,000 men, equipped with modern armaments, had left Paris for Finland.

Reports from Copenhagen last night described how German anti-aircraft guns on the Island of Sylt (huge underground German air base) flared into action early yesterday morning.

WARSHIPS IN ACTION

Ten big German 'planes went up, followed by five Messerschmitts. Very heavy gunfire followed, and it is believed to have come from warships in the Heligoland region. Two hours later five 'planes, coming from the North-West, passed over List, at the northern end of the island, and five explosions were heard immediately afterwards. Machine-gun fire and A.A. fire was heard constantly.

After mysteriously announcing last night that all classes of naval ratings and stokers must report at certain times to-day, Hamburg Radio Station suddenly closed down at 9.30. The Bremen transmitter also ceased working.

HOLLAND AND BELGIUM

A surprise meeting of the Dutch Cabinet caused speculation in Holland yesterday. Both here and in Belgium the tension, though eased, is felt to be still existent, particularly as large German concentrations remain on the frontiers of the Low Countries.

When the Germans started heavy shelling, west of the Vosges, as dusk was falling, French artillery replied vigorously, and the affair developed into a counter-battery action which lasted several hours.

Last night's French communiqué says that in the Vosges an outpost repulsed a German attack, taking a few prisoners.

Secret Operations on Finnish Northern Front

The Russians have retreated 27 miles on the Salla sector, and are being pursued by the Finns, who have, by a series of several attacks, saved Kemijaervi, vital railhead to the Gulf of Bothnia, and (it is believed) discouraged the Soviet commanders from a winter campaign in this area.

Further north "mystery" operations are in progress, and, though stating that they had scored several successes, the Finns decline to reveal anything about the general course of events. Big developments are expected.

The Russian Press continues its attacks on Sweden, alleging that the Allies are attempting to stop Swedish iron ore reaching Germany, but the Soviet Government has apologised to Sweden for the incident on Sunday, when Red 'planes dropped bombs on Swedish territory.

GERMANY AND THE NEUTRALS

Swiss papers, reporting that Berlin denies sending any "invitation" to Norway, Sweden, Holland and Belgium to a conference, comments that it is significant Denmark was not mentioned in the denial. It is suggested that, since Denmark was also excepted from the Soviet protest to the Scandinavian countries—though Danes are fighting in Finland—Nazis and Reds may have reached an agreement on Denmark's position, allocating her to the German "sphere of interest."

Several Russian patrols were (stated last night's Finnish *communiqué*) annihilated on the Aittojoki sector.

Attacks north-east of Lake Ladoga were repulsed. Eleven bombers were brought down on Wednesday, when a number of places were bombed by the Reds.

Last night's Soviet *communiqué* refers to reconnaissance and artillery activity.

DEFENCE SUPERIOR TO ATTACK

"The Finns have established a principle which many countries were uncertain about, viz.: that the defence is superior to the attack, provided that material defences on a modern scale have been constructed," writes the Press Association Military Correspondent.

"Finland's brilliant action has reassured the world regarding the security of their own defensive measures. Reports to hand confirm the contempt shown by the defenders for heavy masses of men and machinery, including tanks. In this contempt the Finns have done the world a service. The pendulum has swung from the mechanised German successes in the Polish campaign to the brilliant mobile tactics of the Finns, who, time and again, have immobilised Russian aggression through the action of a single man.

"When the times comes on the Western front, the Allies will profit by the experience gained in both campaigns."

STILL IN GERMANY

ITALIAN 'PLANES FOR FINLAND

"TIMES" TELEGRAM.

COPENHAGEN, Thursday.

The Berlin Correspondent of *National Tidende* states that the Italian aeroplanes for Finland are still in Germany. It is not known whether they are at Sassnitz or at the Brenner Pass. The aeroplanes, which were being sent by rail, will not be forwarded to Finland in any case, it was stated, but will be sent back to Italy when traffic conditions in Germany permit.—(Copyright, per Press Association.)

The Rome report that "an expeditionary force of 100,000 men equipped with modern armaments" has left Paris to aid the Finns, says the men were "not French."

The Rome announcer qualified the report with the statement that it should be "treated with reserve."

In well-informed quarters in London nothing is known of the report, to which no credence is attached. No comment is, so far, available in Paris.

"INVISIBLE BULLETS"

BY WADE WERNER, ASSOCIATED PRESS STAFF CORRESPONDENT.

HELSINKI, Thursday.

The Finns shot down 11 Soviet bombers yesterday, and pushed the Russians back 28 miles in the Salla sector. Nature's great arsenal is working for Finland. An immense reserve of ammunition has been thrown into action against Stalin's Army on the Karelian front—invisible bullets of deadly cold, they cannot be bought, they cannot be sold. But they kill silently and effectively, and against them mere numbers cannot prevail.

Fifty-four degrees below zero Fahrenheit. That tells a story for those who know what it means to fight in such weather in that area.

Finnish patrols on the Karelian front report having seen hundreds of dead Russians, victims of nothing but exposure to cold, for which they were inadequately clothed.

THE MARCH BACK

BY THE ASSOCIATED PRESS SPECIAL CORRESPONDENT.

WITH THE FINNISH FORCES IN LAPLAND, Thursday.

Stricken by hunger and frost-bite, and constantly attacked by Finnish patrols, the Soviet forces which had advanced farthest on the long Salla highway towards the West have acknowledged defeat.

After vainly hammering away at the Finnish defences for a month and a half, the Russians suddenly abandoned their trenches, and have already retreated 30 miles east from Joutsi Lake, the point farthest into the Finnish interior that any Soviet Army has reached.

This point from which they have retreated was also threateningly near the northermost railway terminal of Kemijaervi.

The Finns, after a hot pusuit, caught the enemy at Lake Maerkne, where the road south to Kuusamo

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BRITISH AID

The Prime Minister, in reply to a question in the House of Commons, said that the matter of financial aid to Finland was now under discussion with the Finnish authorities.

The exact extent of the aid which might be necessary, or possible, could not yet be determined.

Count Coudenhove-Kalergi, the President of the Pan-European Union, has appealed to President Carmona of Portugal to invite representatives of all countries desiring to help Finland to meet at Lisbon for a conference, according to the Brussels radio.

Seventy Finns from America arrived in Stockholm yesterday en route to Finland for service.

Toronto War Resolution

Ottawa Government Condemned

ASSOCIATED PRESS.

TORONTO, Thursday.

The Legislative Assembly of Ontario Province to-day passed a resolution condemning the Ottawa Government's prosecution of the war.

The resolution was presented by Mr. Mitchell Hepburn, Premier of Ontario Province, who threatened to resign if it was not passed.

The voting was 44 in favour to 10 against.

The action of the Toronto Assembly was considered highly significant. Ontario is the richest, largest and most influential province in Canada

Mr. Hepburn, though of the same (Liberal) party as the Canadian Prime Minister, Mr. Mackenzie King, has long been at loggerheads with the Ottawa Government. His personal feud with Mr. Mackenzie King has been a feature of Canadian politics for many years.

The Ontario Conservative (Opposition) leader, Colonel George Drew, supported the motion. Both he and Mr. Hepburn had previously expressed regret that the Dominion Government was putting "so little effort" into the war plans.

Three Liberal members of the Provincial Legislature also voiced their dissent.

Mr. Hepburn also deplored the reported sale of a million barrels of wheat and a number of ice-breakers to Russia, whom he described as a "potential enemy."

SALTY SNOW IN NORTHERN ITALY

ROME, Thursday.

Snow, which is slightly saline and of a pinkish tinge, has fallen in Northern Italy. Well water has, in some places, been rendered undrinkable by particles of salt carried on the cutting "Bora" wind, which has been freezing up the country and interrupting tram and train services.

At Bologna the electric pumping station was put out of action through the salt settling on the porcelain insulators. Transmissions from the Bologna Broadcasting Station have also been interfered with.—(Reuter.)

SURPRISE RADIO CALL

GERMAN SAILORS TO REPORT

The Hamburg radio programme was suddenly interrupted for a special announcement to marine *personnel* yesterday afternoon.

All classes of ratings and stokers were required to present themselves at specified times to-day.

Subsequently, at 9.30 p.m., the Hamburg and Bremen wireless stations announced that both these stations were closing down for the night, with the exception of the two broadcasts in English.

The sudden announcement came as a surprise.—(Press Association War Special.)

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branches off, and terrific fighting is now progressing there.

"SENSELESS SLAUGHTER"

Not all the bombers in Russia can ever destroy the *moral* of the Finns, said the Finnish Minister, Mr. George A. Gripenberg, at an Oxford Union debate last night.

"While we can still stand up," he declared, "we will fight. But this cannot prevent the destruction of our towns and villages. If they had enough 'planes, they would be able to defend their women and children and homes as effectively as they were now defending their frontiers."

Describing it as senseless slaughter, he said: "Such destruction of human life horrifies all Finnish people, but there is no choice for us. This war was not of our choosing. We can only kill—or be killed . . . ."

The fallacy of the Soviet cry of liberation for the workers of Finland was exposed in the ruthless and indiscriminate bombing of both workers' dwellings and peasant cottages.

"The only liberation offered by the Soviet Union, it would seem, is death," he added.

GERMAN TROOPS IN SOVIET-OCCUPIED POLAND

"TIMES" TELEGRAM.

BELGRADE, Thursday.

Authenticated reports that German troops have in the past ten days entered the south of Soviet-occupied Poland have aroused interest and apprehension in the Danubian countries, where it is widely believed that an important rearrangement of Russo-German relations in this area is imminent.

Refugees from Lwow report that many people are to be seen in that city wearing German military and civil uniforms.

The soldiers are stated to have arrived in army lorries and to have come to recover abandoned Polish war material promised to Germany by Russia in October, and also to supervise the repatriation of members of the German minority in Galicia.—(Copyright, per Press Association.)

NAZI MASS AIR ATTACKS DANGER

GENERAL WARNS FRENCH PEOPLE

PARIS, Thursday.

A warning of the "ever present danger" of German mass air attacks was given to the French people to-night in a broadcast by General Pierre Weiss, of the French Air Force.

General Weiss, after reminding his listeners of the effect that the threat of air attacks had had on the present situation of Czecho-Slovakia and Poland, continued: "Up to now mass attacks by aircraft have not been a feature of the war in the West, but don't have any illusions; everything can change to-morrow.

"There is no doubt that it is not for the love of God or of their fellow-men that Hitler's air force have hesitated.

"Without drawing any premature conclusions, we can state that our aircraft, which in the year preceding mobilisation were completely renewed as regards fighters and partly as regards reconnaissance and observation machines, have not only withstood, but imposed, their superiority on the enemy.

NEW SUPREME COURT JUDGE

Mr. Justice O'Byrne

POSITION NOW IN THE HIGH COURT

THE following statement was issued yesterday evening by the Government Information Bureau:—

Acting on the advice of the Government, the President to-day appointed Mr. Justice O'Byrne, a Judge of the High Court, to be a Judge of the Supreme Court.

BENCH OF FIVE

The vacancy in the Supreme Court, which has now been filled by the appointment of Mr. Justice O'Byrne, was caused by the retirement, on reaching the age limit, of Mr. Justice Johnston.

The new appointment will bring the number of judges of the Supreme Court up to the full Bench of five, which is required under Article 26 of the Constitution to decide the question which has been submitted to the Court by President Hyde,

MR. JUSTICE O'BYRNE.

whether the Offences Against the State (Amendment) Bill, 1940, is repugnant to the Constitution or to any provision thereof.

THE HIGH COURT

The probability that a member of the Inner Bar soon will be elevated to the High Court Bench is strengthened by the fact that the jury trials will begin in the High Court next Monday—there are 63 actions listed—and that Mr. Justice Black will go to the Central Criminal Court on Tuesday.

Mr. Justice Gavan Duffy will, it is assumed, deal with the chancery business of two courts while Mr. Justice Black is at Green street, so that there would be only two High Court judges available for jury work—the President and Mr. Justice Hanna.

Mr. Justice O'Byrne, who is in the early fifties, was in the Civil Service before he took up the study of law. He was called to the Bar in 1911, and soon acquired a considerable practice, especially in land litigation. He was a member of the Irish Free State Constitution Committee which drafted the first Constitution.

He was called to the Inner Bar in 1924, and in the same year succeeded the late Mr. Hugh Kennedy as Attorney-General when the latter was appointed Chief Justice. In 1926 he was made a Judge of the High Court in succession to the late Mr. Justice O'Shaughnessy.

IRAQ FINANCE MINISTER SHOT

FORMER OFFICIAL ARRESTED

FROM REUTER'S CORRESPONDENT.

BAGHDAD, Thursday.

The Iraq Finance Minister, M. Rustam Haidar, was shot in his office to-day by a former police inspector, who had asked to speak to him. The Minister was rushed to hospital, and the assailant was arrested.

M. Haidar's condition is grave.

M. Haidar read an application submitted by the man, who had been dismissed from the Government service. He rose, and was leaving the room when he was shot. The bullet entered his left side, and passed right through his abdomen.

NAVAL PROGRAMME IN U.S.

BIG CUT POSTPONED

FROM REUTER'S CORRESPONDENT.

WASHINGTON, Thursday.

A cut of $500,000,000 in the United States $1,300,000,000 programme for Fleet expansion was proposed by Mr. Carl Vinson, the Chairman, at to-day's session of the House of Representatives Naval Committee.

This would reduce the total tonnage from 400,000 to 218,000 tons.

Mr. Vinson, in asking the Committee to approve the reduction, said that the revised bill would still authorise three additional aircraft-carriers, 34 submarines, and an unspecified number of cruisers.

The specific total of ships would be left to the discretion of the Naval Administration within the total tonnage authorised.

Mr Vinson explained that he proposed the reduction in the programme, as it would permit all the naval building that could be efficiently handled.

He thought it unwise, he said, to "pile up too much construction ahead of the time in which it can actually be carried out."

He agreed that the proposal was "in no wise cutting down the Navy."

SENATOR BORAH SERIOUSLY ILL

FROM REUTER'S CORRESPONDENT.

WASHINGTON, Thursday.

Senator William E. Borah, United States isolationist, lay at death's door to-night, suffering from cerebral hemorrhage after a fall at his home.

The latest bulletin says that Senator Borah, who is 74, is "near death."

A scarcity of teachers was referred to at Antrim Regional Education Committee yesterday, Mr. A. M'Connell presiding. The Clerk (Mr. J. L. Clark, M.B.E.) reported that a teacher was ill, and so far he had been unable to procure a substitute.

SOUTH AFRICA IN LINE

FIRST WAR-TIME PARLIAMENT

FORECAST OF TO-DAY'S MEETING

PRESS ASSOCIATION FOREIGN SPECIAL TELEGRAM.

CAPE TOWN, Thursday.

WHEN South Africa's first war-time Parliament assembles at Cape Town to-morrow General Smuts, the Prime Minister, is assured of a majority even greater than that which approved his war policy on September 4, following the Cabinet split.

Since then many members absent from the fateful division, which lined South Africa up on Britain's side by a margin of 13 votes, have announced their support of General Smuts.

It is estimated that the Government will command 17 more votes than the Opposition—now shared by the followers of General Hertzog, whose defeat in September ended an unbroken spell of 15 years as Prime Minister, and Dr. D. F. Malan, leader of the Nationalist (Republican) Party.

SPEECH FROM THE THRONE

Sir Patrick Duncan, the Governor-General, who will read the Speech from the Throne to-morrow in English and Afrikaans, is expected to survey briefly the progress made by the country in preparing itself for its war-time obligations.

He may then foreshadow further legislation to strengthen the defence and other resources of the Union.

A first-hand account of events in Europe will be given the House by Colonel Deneys-Reitz, Minister of Native Affairs, who was recently in London conferring with the British Government and representatives of the other Dominions.

Among those on the Opposition benches will be Mr. Oswald Pirow, former Minister of Defence, who had previously visited London on two important defence missions.

On his last trip, just over a year ago, he saw most of the heads of European States, including Hitler and Signor Mussolini.

Last September he followed General Hertzog out of the Government.

THE OPPOSITION

On the eve of the opening of Parliament General Hertzog and Dr. Malan agreed that their groups should co-operate against the Government of General Smuts during the forthcoming session, and that General Hertzog would be leader of the Opposition. Efforts to amalgamate the two parties, however, have not yet succeeded.

When Parliament meets to-morrow the Government, including the Dominion and Labour Parties, will have 83 seats in the House of Assembly, while the Hertzog group and the Nationalists will have 37 and 29 seats respectively, a total of 66.

BEATING THE BLACK-OUT

Ultra violet ray lamps and luminous paint are helping to beat the black-out in Berlin and help people to get about safely.

Potsdamer Platz, one of the city's busiest squares, now shines in mild, silvery-yellow light every night to facilitate traffic in general and to guide pedestrians.

This invention fully conforms with black-out orders because this artificial moonlight is not detectable from above, not even from low-flying 'planes, it is claimed.—(Associated Press.)

MOTOR OILS UP SIXPENCE

ADVANCE DUE TO INCREASED COSTS

An increase in price of a minimum of 6d. per gallon, effective to-day to all classes of buyers, was announced last night in London by leading oil companies dealing with proprietary motor oils.

This advance is necessitated by the increased cost of materials, increased ocean freight, war risk insurance, and increased cost of distribution.

MORE ANATOLIAN EARTHQUAKES

FIFTY KILLED: MANY INJURED

FROM REUTER'S CORRESPONDENT.

ISTANBUL, Thursday.

Fifty people were killed and 160 injured, according to first reports of two violent earthquakes last night at Nigde, in Southern Anatolia.

Over 400 houses are reported to have collapsed, but it is not yet possible to verify actual casualties or damage.

Nigde is some distance from the zone of the recent disasters, in which it escaped damage.

During the last twenty-four hours eight more shocks have been felt in the previously devastated earthquake area of Northern Anatolia, but no reports of casualties or damage have come to hand.

A serious landslide, 1,000 feet in extent, has occurred in the recently-flooded Ismidt area, adjoining the Sea of Marmora. Two bridges were hit and seriously damaged. In the Brussa region, the Karadjabey plains, which had already been seriously devastated by the recent floods, have again been inundated. Fifteen villages have been submerged.

ITALIAN EMPIRE IN AFRICA

SIGNOR MUSSOLINI'S STATEMENT

FROM REUTER'S CORRESPONDENT.

ROME, Thursday.

The Italian Empire in Africa has concluded the phase of complete dependence on the mother country. Signor Mussolini declared in a short speech here to-day.

It must now begin its independent life, with the mother country's help, until it can contribute to Italy's material resources.

FIVE KILLED IN FACTORY EXPLOSION

North Side of London Rocked

DAMAGE OVER A WIDE AREA

Nitro-Glycerine Shed Blown Into The Air

FIVE men were killed and a number injured in an explosion at the Royal Gunpowder Factory, Waltham Abbey, Essex, yesterday.

The explosion rocked a large area of North London, and spread damage for miles around.

An official inquiry is being made into the causes of the accident, which is understood to have occurred in a nitro-glycerine drying shed.

During the past few weeks officers from the C.I.D. had visited a number of factories, including the one involved, to investigate the possibility of accidents.

A *communiqué* from the Ministry of Supply last night stated:—

The Ministry of Supply greatly regrets that an explosion occurred this morning at a factory in North London. Five men were killed and a number of employés were injured. Fortunately, most of the injuries were slight. An inquiry into the causes of the accident is being made.

Later the Ministry added:—

The name of the factory where the explosion took place is the Royal Gunpowder Factory, Waltham Abbey.

The Ministry of Supply later announced that the five men killed in the explosion were:—

J. Parkes, Charlton road, Edmonton, N.9;

A. G. Lawrence, Albany road, Enfield Wash;

C. F. Purkis, Forest View road, E.17;

J. Robinson, Bowood road, Enfield; and

A. Kelman, Brecon road, Ponders End, Enfield.

LIKE A HURRICANE

Most people heard a double detonation, the roar of the first explosion being followed by an equally big detonation a second afterwards. Thousands thought it was an air raid. The factory lies in the heart of a big nursery area, and the blast of the explosion spread havoc among the greenhouses. Roaring across the countryside like a hurricane, it shattered hundreds of thousands of panes of glass.

Houses and shops, too, suffered. A reporter who toured the area saw houses for miles around with their windows smashed, and even in the main shopping street of the ancient town of Waltham Abbey, though protected by surrounding houses, scores of plate glass windows lay in fragments.

SHED BLOWN TO PIECES

One workman at the mill told a reporter: "I was about one hundred yards away from the shed. Suddenly I saw a blinding flash, and there was a terrific explosion. I was thrown to the ground on my back, and before I could pick myself up there was a second explosion. These explosions were confined to one shed, which was, I believe, a nitro-glycerine drying shed. The shed was completely blown to bits. Its steel girders were thrown about 500 yards."

ANXIOUS WOMEN

The affected part of the works extended over a wide area, with a circumference of about seven miles. Each department is isolated and divided into sheds, and each section is surrounded by high protective earthworks, with "fences" of blankets between to break the force of a possible explosion.

The majority of men in the district are employed at the works, and women waited anxiously outside the police and military-guarded gates for news. Hundreds were waiting in the narrow roadway when the men left, and tearful women, their anxiety relieved, joyfully clasped their husbands.

An elderly man, who was obviously affected as he greeted his daughter and grand-child, said that he was working about 200 yards from the explosion and was flung to the ground. Workers not in the immediate vicinity of the explosion carried on at their tasks.

90 MILES FROM LONDON

Windows as far away as Leamington Spa, 90 miles from London, were broken by the force of the explosion.

Mr. A. E. Wright, who lives near Leamington, said that he heard explosions like bombs dropping. "My family thought something had fallen on the roof of the house, but we could not find anything, and we were completely mystified until we heard news of the disaster in London."

THE INJURED

The Press Association understands that the injured factory workmen number about thirty. Under normal working conditions not more than six workers are employed in each of the scattered sheds.

POLICE INVESTIGATIONS

Over a week ago a chief detective inspector, a detective sergeant and another detective from the C.I.D., Scotland Yard, visited the Waltham Abbey factory following consultations which had taken place at the "Yard."

Yesterday a detective superintendent—one of the "Big Five"—and a chief detective inspector, together with other Scotland Yard officers, went to the scene of the explosion and took charge of investigations. They spent a long time there and conferred with works officials. A preliminary report was submitted to the authorities last night.

The Press Association learned last night that sabotage is suspected.

ANONYMOUS WARNING

Working with great secrecy, Scotland Yard detectives visited the scene of the explosion afterwards, and spent a long time in the factories conferring with works officials.

It is understood that the authorities had received anonymous information that "accidents might happen" in the Waltham Abbey factory, as well as at others in different parts of England.

GERMANS INACTIVE

Allied Patrols Busy

DUTCH CABINET MEETS

PRESS ASSOCIATION FOREIGN SPECIAL.

PARIS, Thursday.

DESPITE the intense cold, British and French troops have resumed full activity on the Western front. There has been no encounters in "no man's land," however, for the German infantry continues inactive.

The cold has also practically paralysed air activity. There was one long-distance reconnaissance flight over Eastern France by a solitary German 'plane.

Nothing new is reported from the Belgian and Dutch frontiers, and the *detente* perceptible yesterday appears to be continuing.

The artillery action west of the Saar, referred to in this morning's *communiqué*, was begun by the Germans as dusk was falling yesterday. For some reason, as yet unknown, they suddenly opened fairly heavy fire on the French front line positions and continued firing for several hours.

The French took up the challenge and gave them back more than equal measure of shells. After a time the German gunners lengthened the range, and the fire developed into a counter-battery action on both sides, lasting three or four hours.

THE COMMUNIQUES

The French *communiqué* yesterday morning stated: "A quiet night on the whole, fairly strong artillery action in the region west of the Saar."

Yesterday's German *communiqué* stated: "In the west no important events. In addition to frontier patrol fights on the eastern front, the Air Force carried out reconnaissance flights over the Scottish coast."

Last night's French official *communiqué* states: "In the Vosges one of our outposts repulsed an attack made by an enemy detachment. We made a few prisoners."

SYLT AIR ACTIVITY

PRESS ASSOCIATION WAR SPECIAL

COPENHAGEN, Thursday.

Heavy anti-aircraft fire from the southern part of Sylt—the German island air base—began at 6 o'clock this morning, it is reported from Toender. At the same time ten big German 'planes went up from the aerodrome at List, at the northern end of the island. The machines flew directly south and a little later five Messerschmitts took to the air from Schleswig, just south of the Danish frontier, bound westward. Very heavy gunfire was heard soon afterwards, probably from warships. Two hours later five 'planes, coming from the north-west, passed over List and five explosions were heard immediately afterwards.

DUTCH CABINET MEETS

PRESS ASSOCIATION WAR SPECIAL.

THE HAGUE, Thursday.

A sudden unexpected special meeting of the Dutch Cabinet was called at The Hague to-day. This follows the meeting last Sunday when the decision was taken to restrict Army leave. The reasons for the new Cabinet Council are not at the moment known. Political circles have regarded the tension of the past week-end as largely relaxed, and it was not supposed that any danger was now imminent.

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It is believed, however, that the Cabinet may have discussed the sending of a protest to the German Government following the torpedoing of the Dutch steamer Arendskerk.

THE BELGIAN CRISIS

PRESS ASSOCIATION WAR SPECIAL.

BRUSSELS, Thursday.

Although an atmosphere of relaxed tension continues here, well-informed circles say that it is impossible to declare that the crisis is over while the military position remains unchanged. This statement is believed to refer to the German troop concentrations on the Belgian frontier, especially in the region of Aix-la-Chapelle.

While the reason for the crisis over the week-end is still shrouded in mystery, political circles give three reasons for the precautions taken—(1) Information reaching Brussels that a possible German attack might be launched in the near future; (2) Recent flights of German 'planes over Belgium; (3) Stories published in the Belgian papers regarding the forced landing of a German 'plane which was stated to be carrying important documents.

TO SPEED UP HOUSING

LONG-TERM LOANS SUGGESTED

UNEMPLOYMENT IN THE BUILDING TRADE

A CONSIDERABLE number of people would buy houses with the assistance of advances under the Small Dwellings Acquisition Acts if the repayment was spread over a long period, such as thirty-five years, because the repayments could then be brought down to what would normally be paid in rent, said Mr. Owen Hynes, secretary of the Dublin Building Operatives' Public Utility Society, in evidence before the Government Housing Commission in the City Hall, Dublin, yesterday.

Mr. Hynes was referring to people with incomes of £3 to £5 a week. Most of them, he said, were prepared to make a deposit of £50, and in a few cases of £100. The houses should not exceed £500 in cost. He had in mind houses with three bedrooms, a parlour and a kitchen, and were something slightly better than Corporation houses.

His society, he said, had been formed in 1932, when the Corporation decided to eliminate brick houses from their schemes. Bricklayers found difficulty in obtaining employment, and they formed this society to build brick houses. They built 160 houses in two schemes.

Mr. Hynes gave evidence of the loans received from the Corporation for the purchase of these houses, and said that an insurance company recommended higher loans than the Corporation was prepared to grant. He felt that there should be some appeal from the valuation fixed by the Corporation's valuer. He said that two valuers from the Corporation had made different valuations of similar houses on opposite sides of a road. He suggested that a valuation should be placed on the houses when the plans and specifications were submitted, and a loan granted on the basis of the valuation. In such circumstances nobody would be at a disadvantage.

UNEMPLOYMENT

Concluding his evidence, Mr. Hynes said that mention had been made during the sitting of the Commission of a shortage of skilled labour. They had submitted unemployment figures to rebut that evidence, and he thought that no one would deny that at the moment there was an appalling amount of unemployment in the city. During his experience of twenty-four years as secretary of the Bricklayers' Society he never had known a period when there were so many men unemployed as at present. That applied to all the building trades. The other sections were equally, if not worse, affected than his own. This week 260 bricklayers had signed as unemployed, but some of the finest craftsmen in the country had been so long without work that they had exhausted their unemployment relief and trades benefit, and were applying for home assistance. A considerable number of men from the country had gone back home. The unskilled section of the trade was in a frightful state. Unemployment had increased greatly in the last twelve months. His union had paid ten times as much benefit in 1939 as in 1938.

The Commission adjourned till Wednesday next, when Mr. James Larkin will make a statement.

AWARDS TO IRISH LIFEBOAT MEN

ATTEMPT TO REFLOAT A STEAMER

The Royal National Lifeboat Institution has made awards amounting to over £62 to its lifeboat crews at Dun Laoghaire and Wicklow, who attempted to refloat a steamer, with one hundred people on board, which had run aground. The Dun Laoghaire lifeboat was out for 32 hours, and the Wicklow lifeboat for over ten hours.

The following were the crews:—Dun Laoghaire Lifeboat—Coxswain, Jos. O'Hanlon, second coxswain, Jos. Smith; chief mechanic, Albert Smith; second mechanic, Tom Cooper; third mechanic, James Rogerson; bowman, Tom Sutherland; lifeboatmen, Harold Shortell and John Hughes.

Wicklow Lifeboat — Coxswain, Edward Kavanagh; second coxswain, Thos. Byrne; chief mechanic, Gerald Vize; second mechanic, John Curran; bowman, James Doyle; lifeboatmen, James Vickers, Joseph Olohan, and Charles Byrne.

PLEDGE OF BRITISH WAR MINISTER

ALLOWANCES SYSTEM TO BE REVIEWED

Mr. Oliver Stanley last night in the House of Commons faced his first big debate in his new capacity as British War Minister.

Replying to criticisms of allowances to dependants of soldiers, he pledged himself not only to go into the complaints raised but to investigate the whole system.

"A promise I can give," he added, "is that I will not defend a particular item in the scale or administration unless I am personally satisfied that we can do so with a good conscience."

To put forward a system of dependants' allowances ringed round with conditions which make it inoperative might be deceiving the country, he declared.

WATCH FOR
£100
CROSSWORD
APPEARING TO-MORROW

£10,000 MORE TO PAY

Mental Hospital Demand

HIGHER PRICES FOR FOOD

THE estimates for the current year for the administration of Grangegorman Mental Hospital and Portrane Hospital are over ten thousand pounds higher than the previous highest figure estimated for in 1921-2.

Mr. John Coghlan, chairman of the Finance Committee, who moved the adoption of the estimates, said that it was his unenviable duty to move the adoption of the estimate and demand, amounting to a total sum of £262,345, the highest estimate ever submitted by the Committee of Management of the institutions. The previous highest demand was that of 1921-22 for £251,590. Since that date the average number of patients had, notwithstanding the departure of the County Louth patients to Ardee Mental Hospital, increased from 3,304 to 3,651.

The only satisfactory feature was that, so far, the prevalence of war conditions, high prices for foodstuffs, unemployment, poverty and destitution, had not led to any increase in numbers, and the average number of patients was the same as in 1938-39.

They would be short by £10,900 of the amount required to discharge all their liabilities up to 31st March next, and this sum had to be brought in as a debit balance in the estimate.

The Finance Committee found it impossible to suggest any reductions, and their fear was that the estimate might be found altogether inadequate. It was based on the prices of supplies now prevailing, and if these prices increased materially during the coming year, and they certainly would not reduce, even the inflated demand now submitted would be found inadequate.

HIGHER PRICES

Particulars of the increases in price of some of the principal items of provisions and necessaries varied from an increase of 2 per cent. in potatoes to 71 per cent. in rice. Beef and mutton had increased by an average of 40 per cent., tea and sugar by over 55 per cent., and fish by 60 per cent. The work of re-slating whole sections of the roofs of the parent institution, Grangegorman, was in progress, and estimates were obtained on 17th December for sheet lead required for flashings, roofs, valleys, etc., all at the same price, 29s. 6d. per cwt. An interval of three days elapsed before the issue of the official order, but in the meantime the price advanced by 7s. 6d. per cwt., or 25 per cent., and again all the firms who quoted in the first instance submitted the same price. Cement also had suddenly jumped up by 4s. a ton.

There was an increase of £2,670 in the amount required for repayment of loans and interest. The first advances towards the cost (about £100,000) of a new nurses' home in Grangegorman and the extension of the nurses' home in Portrane were made out of the 40 per cent. grant from the Hospitals' Fund sanctioned by the Minister for Local Government, but provision had now to be made for repayment of the 60 per cent. balance borrowed on the security of the rates.

Provision was also made for estimated borrowings of about £60,000 during the ensuing financial year to meet the cost of the new laundry and central power station at Grangegorman, the combined visiting and recreation hall for the female department, Grangegorman, and the combined visiting hall, with attendants' quarters overhead, for the male department, Grangegorman, which had recently been approved by the Minister, and the plans for which were in process of examination by the Local Government Department. Provision must, of course, be made to meet the interest on these borrowings and repayment of principal. The rate of interest charged on loans from the Local Loans Fund, 5¾ per cent., was excessively high, and was a deterrent to the execution of public works, but unless such works were undertaken where was employment to be found for workers in the building trade, which was now almost at a standstill?

£35,000 INCREASE

The figures of estimated revenue and expenditure in the demand submitted showed an increase of £35,940 on last year's figure.

Should the estimate now submitted be approved, the following would be the net demands on each of the contributing Councils:—

	£	Increase £
Corporation of Dublin ...	200,544	28,337
County Council of Dublin	39,019	6,027
County Council of Wicklow	22,782	1,576
	262,345	35,940

Mr. Sean Milroy said that the matter of increases of prices should be taken up with the Prices Commission.

FISH PRICES

Mr. M. Staines (Chairman) said that he could find no herrings in the shops when he went to look for them. They should ask the Minister for Supplies how many trawlers were fishing, and if fish was auctioned in Dublin. They could get no fish for their patients on Fridays. The whole thing was a disgrace. At present only one firm could sell fish in Dublin. It was time the price of fish was inquired into.

Mr. J. Larkin said that codfish costing 1s. 6d. and 1s. 7d. per pound in Dublin was sold in London for 7d. to 8d. per pound. Why, he asked, should not meat prices fixed across Channel apply here.

On the suggestion of Mr. E. Cooney, T.D., it was agreed to send a deputation to the Minister for Supplies, and request that the prices of supplies be made the subject of an inquiry.

The estimates were adopted.

WANTED LEAD FROM CATHEDRAL ROOF

BOYS' RUSE TO GET MONEY FOR PICTURES

FROM OUR CORRESPONDENT.

GALWAY, Thursday.

Three boys pleaded guilty at Galway Court to causing malicious damage, amounting to £20, to St. Nicholas's Cathedral. Statements were read from the boys, in which they said that they wanted money for the pictures, and went to the cathedral with the intention of taking some lead from the roof and selling it.

The sexton of the church had caught one of them on the roof, the other two having run away.

The Justice sent one of the boys, at his own wish, to Glencree Industrial School for three years, and adjourned the cases against the other two. He said that the method adopted by the defendants to raise money for the pictures was foul, and was a disgrace to the town, their parents, and their schools.

SWANS FROZEN TO DEATH

IRELAND IN GRIP OF FROST

SNOW DRIFTS MAKE TRAVEL DIFFICULT

TWO swans were frozen to death yesterday on lakes near Claremorris. Ink in the local schools was also frozen up, and at the station, because the points were frozen, trains had to be called in with handlamps.

Harsh weather conditions are reported from many parts of Ireland.

Snow fell heavily in North Donegal yesterday, and lies from two to three feet deep on mountains around Carndonagh. Roads are in a treacherous condition, and motorists had thrills on slippery inclines. A motor lorry laden with coal left the road near Carndonagh and crashed through a hedge, but nobody was hurt.

Rivers in the vicinity of Carndonagh are frozen over.

Many thrills were provided when sleighs appeared on the streets of Carndonagh last night.

There was a heavy fall of snow in East Donegal yesterday. Roads are very slippery and many are impassable.

For the last few days Bantry district has been experiencing Arctic weather. Roads have been made almost impassable. Severe frost has been followed by a heavy snowfall. Many people suffered from minor injuries. Motor cars find it difficult to reach destinations.

A flock of wild geese have been seen passing over Reendonagan Lake. Not for a considerable time have these birds visited the locality. Unusually large numbers of golden plover and wild duck are to be seen in the surrounding districts.

IN CORK

The cold weather continued in the South yesterday. Fifteen degrees of frost were again recorded in the morning, but a change in the wind made conditions somewhat more tolerable.

The south channel of the River Lee remained almost clear of ice, except for one or two light patches. Yesterday occasional light snow fell.

One of the worst and heaviest frosts which has visited Lurgan within recent years is being experienced there now. Weather is intensely cold, and the condition of the roads in a great many places is very dangerous.

Tannaghmore, North Halftown and Silverwood Schools, all in Lurgan Parish, are closed because of an epidemic of sickness of children. The weekly market at Lurgan yesterday was sparsely attended.

SCHOOL INK FROZEN

Deliveries of milk arrived in Claremorris yesterday coated with ice, and milk vendors were compelled to keep fires burning in dairies to keep milk from freezing. Ink in the local schools was frozen, too.

Two swans were frozen to death in nearby lakes. The points at the local railway station were frozen, and trains had to be called in with hand lamps. Many minor road mishaps were reported.

Heavy frost continues at Loughrea, where the lake is covered with ice, on which there is skating. House taps are frozen up, and considerable difficulty is experienced in obtaining a water supply for domestic purposes.

The most severe frost for many years continues in Clones and district. All rivers are frozen up, and lakes thickly covered with ice. Considerable damage has been caused by burst water pipes, and roads are in a very dangerous condition. Many motors have been put out of action by frost.

MORE STEAMERS SUNK

TWELVE OF CREW KILLED

TANKER MINED OFF ENGLISH COAST

THE Greek steamer Asteria (5,315 tons) has been sunk by a mine in the North Sea. Eleven Greek members of the crew and the body of one were brought into an east coast port yesterday.

The twelve remaining members of the crew are feared drowned.

Ten of the crew got away in a small boat, and they pulled two other men from the water. One was gravely scalded, and he died after a night of exposure. The survivors were adrift for fifteen hours until they sighted a lightship, which called the lifeboat.

The ship sank within a few minutes of the explosion with her back broken.

It was later learnt that when the Asteria was mined twelve men were killed by the shock and by drowning. Only three of the twenty-four men are still uninjured.

VESSEL SHELLED

The story of the shelling and torpedoing by a U-boat of the Norwegian steamer Enid (1,140 tons) off the North-East coast of Scotland was told yesterday by the mate, Rolf Lockert, on his arrival at a Northern port.

"The U-boat fired fifteen to twenty shells at our ship on Wednesday afternoon," he said, "and as these did not sink her the submarine moved away and fired a torpedo. Fire broke out in the chart room and we abandoned ship." The crew of sixteen left in two boats, the captain in charge of one and the mate the other.

Lockhert and his seven survivors reached an island four hours after the attack, and the other eight men were rescued by a British trawler.

GERMAN CREW SAVED

BERLIN, Thursday.

The whole of the crew of the German steamer August Thyssen, which struck a Swedish mine in the Gulf of Bothnis to-day, have been brought to a Swedish harbour by the warship which went to their assistance, a Stockholm telegram announces.

TANKER LOST

The Press Association learned last night that the tanker which burst into flames and sank after an explosion off the South-West coast of England on Tuesday was the Inverdargle (9,456 tons). She was owned by Inver Tankers, Ltd.

A man on the shore saw a silver shape by the tanker which he thought was a submarine.

SUBMARINE CREWS SAVED

A Berlin official source states that four officers and 26 men of the British submarines Seahorse, Undine and Starfish have up to the present been rescued.

OPENING OF MAILS

U.S. PROTEST TO BRITAIN

PRESS ASSOCIATION WAR SPECIAL TELEGRAM

WASHINGTON, Thursday.

The State Department is reported to be disappointed with Britain's reply to the United States protest against the opening of American mails.

It is said to regard the reply as a rejection of the protest, and is reported to be taking the line that Britain is claiming a right denied her by international law.

EIGHT DIE IN DUNDALK FIRE

TWO FAMILIES WIPED OUT

MEN AND WOMEN JUMP TO SAFETY

FROM OUR CORRESPONDENT.

DUNDALK, Thursday.

ONE of the worst Irish fires of recent years occurred here this morning, as the result of which eight people lost their lives, another is in hospital with a fractured skull after jumping to escape from a top-storey window, and yet another is suffering from shock and exposure after crawling to safety along the ice-covered ledge over a shop.

The victims comprise two families and are:—

Thomas Coleman, aged 30 years, a coal worker at Dundalk quays;

Mary Coleman, 29, his wife;

Thomas Coleman, aged 12 months, their only child;

Peter Moran, aged 28, a yardman;

Mary Moran, aged 26, his wife, and their three children—Rita Moran, aged 4; Patrick Moran, aged 3, and a baby six months old.

The Moran and Coleman families lived in two flats above two shops in Church street, Dundalk.

John Woods, aged 25, who is precariously ill in hospital, lived in another room in the same building and on a top storey.

Edward Ruddy, a publican and grocer, escaped unhurt.

The fire, which did much havoc, apparently broke out at about a few minutes before three o'clock.

The building where the fire occurred is a three-storey building, No. 25 Church street. The bottom storey is occupied by two shops—one a butcher's shop, occupied by Mr. Jerry McDonnell, who is at present on his honeymoon, and the other a public-house, occupied by Mr. Edward Ruddy. The McDonnells did not reside on the premises. The upstairs portion was let out in flats, entrance to which was obtained through a gateway and by a stairway running to the top of the house. The premises were owned by Mr. Patrick Griffith, of Belfast.

BREAKING GLASS

At five minutes to three this morning Mr. John Deery, son of Mr. Patrick Deery, who keeps a shop directly opposite, was awakened by the noise of breaking glass. As he called the family he saw flames starting apparently from the back of the premises opposite. Instantly he telephoned to the Fire Brigade.

Within fifteen minutes the brigade had arrived, and in four minutes they had their hoses playing on the burning building. There was a satisfactory supply of water, and the hoses drove it over the roof of the building; but the flames had been spreading with great rapidity. The building, which is old, and in which there was a vast amount of wood, was burning like matchwood. With the Fire Brigade there also came a large force of the National Army and Civic Guards.

Before the arrival of the Fire Brigade Mr. John Deery saw a man jump more than forty feet from an upstairs window to the ground below. This was Mr. John Woods, who, apparently was the first to observe the fire inside. He jumped from the window, became entangled in the electric wires, and fell heavily on the ground. Guard McKiernan picked up the man and sent him by ambulance to the Louth Infirmary. His legs were broken and his skull was fractured.

WALKED ON PARAPET

Mr. Patrick Deery said: "The flames shot up with great rapidity. The six large upstairs windows went quickly, and when they did the flames burst through to the street. They spread out so far that the brigade could not get within ten feet of the front of the house. Fire seemed to be in every corner of the premises. Then Ned Ruddy came from a window upstairs, walked along the signboard over the shop and got into Mr. Dawe's upstairs windows." The heat from the fire cracked the plate glass windows in the shops on the opposite side of the street, sixty feet away. Finding it impossible to save the burning building, the Fire Brigade concentrated on preventing the flames spreading to the public-houses situate on either side. They succeeded in doing this. How close the fire was to reaching Mr. Thomas McCourt's house can be seen from the fact that the paper on his walls was scorched and the floorboards were singed.

One of the firemen, Mr. Patrick Arthurs, was running to the rear of the building to play a hose from there, when he fell into a basement eight feet below. His back was injured and he was taken home by ambulance.

Within an hour of the start of the fire the roof of the building crashed, and in the afternoon the debris was still smouldering.

A graphic story of his fortunate escape from the burning building was given by Mr. Edward Ruddy. "I was asleep when I was wakened by the sound of something crackling," he said. "As I lay in bed wondering what was happening I noticed the bed swaying; it was like as if it was sinking through the floor. I jumped out, put on some clothes, and ran to the door. When I opened the door to get out the flames were reaching right up the stairs and to the door. I ran across to the window, smashed this, and got out on the ledge over the shop front. It was freezing at the time, but as I got out the flames began to lick through the room and near the window. There was ice on the ledge, and I do not know how I managed to walk across it. Eventually I reached the end of the shop front and then continued to walk across the ledge over the gateway. Then I fell against an upstairs window of Mr. McLoone's shop, and the window was opened and I was dragged in."

BODIES RECOVERED

By the late afternoon six bodies had been recovered—two of men two women and two children. One of the bodies was found downstairs and the remaining five upstairs near a window. The work of taking out the bodies was rendered very difficult by falling *débris* which had mounted in the lower storey. Firemen and Civic Guards were working through the *débris*, but their efforts were hampered by the fact that it was covered with ice and that portions of the masonry from above was constantly falling.

It is believed that the fire originated downstairs, and rescuers are of the opinion that at least some of the people were asphyxiated.

There are still two bodies unaccounted for—those of two children. Engineers considered the building unsafe and have placed a corrugated iron railing around it. Nothing but the shell of the building remains, and with the heavy frost following intense heat, they feared that the structure might collapse.

Cardinal MacRory to-day telephoned Father Stokes, Adm., Dundalk and offered his deep sympathy to the relatives of those lost in the fire, and Mr. Frank Aiken, Minister for Co-ordination of Defence, has also telegraphed Father Stokes sympathising with the relatives.

WHEN A JUDGE RETIRES

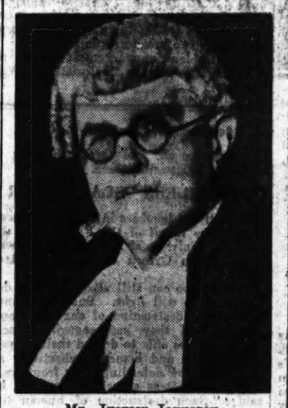
MEMORIES THAT MAKE HISTORY

MR. JUSTICE JOHNSTON LEAVES THE BENCH

WHEN a Judge lays aside his wig and gown for the last time tradition demands his voluntary exile from public life, and he is expected to recede into virtual oblivion. True, he may, and often does, continue to play a part in the activities of the Benchers of the King's Inns; nevertheless the retirement is drastically complete, and there is no more stern taskmaster than the custom which compels a man, even at the age of 72, when he may still retain all the qualities that combine in a good judge, abruptly to cut himself away for ever from the work to which he has devoted his whole life.

The wrench is all the greater for him because of the variety of interests and the multitudinous problems with which members of the judiciary are called upon daily to deal, and which not alone keep them in close touch with the currents of public feeling and developments in the political, social and economic affairs of the nation and the people, but also endow them with a deep insight and understanding of human character. They necessarily delve deep in history, and draw strongly from the rich fountain of experience and precedent, and in the end, when time begins not to matter, the rude blow suddenly falls.

It must, therefore, have been with a sense of shock, as well as of deep regret, that Mr. Justice Johnston bade good-bye to his work in the Supreme Court this week, after a singularly successful and interesting career. There can be few men in the legal profession or any other who may look back on a life's work with such a feeling of satisfaction and fulness as he is privileged to experience, or yet greet retirement with a physical zest and an alertness of mind that must inevitably create a problem in their demand for an outlet. After all, to have received appointments from three Governments is something in the nature of an enviable record, apart from having been responsible for a unique judicial arrangement between North and South, having been the first Judge to open his court in the name of the Irish Free State, and having once been a prisoner of war in his own home.



MR. JUSTICE JOHNSTON.

JUDGMENT DELIVERED

Like many another young barrister of his day, Mr. Johnston had some experience in journalism after he had left his native Derry and had come to practice in Dublin. Indeed, for a considerable period his keen interest in land legislation prompted a weekly column in a now extinct Irish daily paper; and in that connection a rather good story has often been told in relation to a judgment delivered by a notable judge in a case under the Wyndham Act. After what had appeared to be the judgment, Mr. Johnston, who was anonymously contributing articles to the Press on the subject, wrote what obviously amounted to a conflicting judgment, and on the day following its publication the learned judge, to the amazement of the anonymous correspondent, hailed him in the old Law Library: "My dear Johnston, that was a very good article, indeed. It is a coincidence, but it is exactly the judgment that I intend to deliver."

Shortly afterwards Mr. Johnston wrote a pamphlet on legislation governing the land question. It ran into five editions, "and I made a lot of money from it," he once confessed with characteristic candour.

Good fortune and bad were curiously mingled in his early life. He seemed set for a parliamentary career in 1910, when he fought an election in his native North for the Home Rule interest, having been for a long time previously associated with the popular party. However, the hopes of his supporters were dashed, but he had the satisfaction of having reduced the Tory majority to its smallest. The disappointment had hardly worn off in Derry when, less than a year later, he was appointed a County Court Judge in Monaghan and Fermanagh.

HE CAME SOUTH

The partition of Ireland created for him what must have been the most difficult personal problem he had to face in his lifetime; yet he displayed no hesitation in arriving at a decision that must remain to his credit for ever as an Irishman. His area of jurisdiction was sundered, and he had to choose between North and South. His Northern courage, allied to his equally Northern capacity for a quick decision, came to his aid, and he negotiated the most remarkable judicial agreement, whereby Judge Green, of Cork, who exercised jurisdiction in Louth and Armagh, swopped the Louth area for Fermanagh, and enabled Mr. Johnston to come within the border. He once described it by saying that "the Southern Catholic went North, and the Northern Protestant came South."

It is said of him that immediately after the Anglo-Irish Treaty, and before the new Government had assembled, he opened his Court in Monaghan "in the name of the Irish Free State."

On the reconstitution of the Courts in 1924 an Irish Government paid him the honour of asking him not to retire, and, again, his decision was rapid and well founded. He was re-appointed to Monaghan and Louth, later to be appointed a Judge of the High Court. A few years ago the successors of the first native Government raised him to the dignity of the Supreme Court.

For years back he has devoted all his attention to Chancery work. He had his share of Common Law judgments, but he found Chancery much more interesting in its legal complexities. Perhaps, another reason why he preferred Chancery work was his unfavourable view of the jury system. He was known to regard it with disapproval, as a Plantagenet imposition, suited to the character of the English, among whom it had its development, but entirely inconsistent with the Irish character and feeling. He much preferred, though he never said as much, a tribunal of Judges.

A SERENE COURT

Among many members of the legal profession, his Court became known as "The Drawing-room," doubtless because of the serenity and good feeling that ever prevailed in it. It had an atmosphere of eighteenth century courtesy, and its President, no matter how difficult or irritating a situation became, remained effortlessly the same smiling, painstaking, and often witty Mr. Justice Johnston. Many people qualified to express a judgment, hold him to be the most genial and amiable member of the Bench.

Two incidents in his life indicate his imperturbability. Twice he was reported in the daily Press as being dead. He discovered his first "death" when, in the Abbey Theatre one night, the attendant who usually supplied him with his programme, looked blankly at him and then exclaimed: "My lord, I thought you were dead." The second "death" provided him with even greater amusement, and the always courteous and gracious Judge wrote to the editor of the Northern newspaper responsible, pointing out that the report of his death was "greatly exaggerated." In 1916 Republican Volunteers commandeered his house in Lansdowne road and kept him and his family virtually prisoners for three days. Afterwards in speaking of the experience he was heard to say: "They were good fellows, and we got on very well together."

The Reasmus Smith case, in which the legal argument went to the very roots of Anglo-Irish history, probably gave him more interest than any other during his work as a judge, but, from the point of view of public interest, his most important trial must have been the More O'Ferrall murder case.

He achieved something almost Biblical on one occasion when a gypsy was convicted of manslaughter, having killed another member of the colony in a drunken brawl. Mr. Justice Johnston's difficulty was that he did not wish to create bitterness among a fairly happy band by sending the man to prison for a long period. He eventually decided to impose a sentence of two years' imprisonment, not to be enforced if the defendant entered a bond to be of good behaviour for three years. The difficulty about the bond was the finding of a surety. In an inspired moment the judge called the son of the deceased man into the witness box, where he had been the chief witness for the prosecution, and proposed to him that he should be the surety for the accused man. With evident pleasure, the bereaved man agreed.

AMONG HIS BOOKS

Judge Johnston will spend much of his leisure time henceforward in his small book-disordered study at the back of his house in Lansdowne road, where he worked on many judgments which came to be regarded as models in composition. For companions he will have the hundreds of books that line the walls, the volume-littered table which used to, and probably still does, carry on its top a facsimile of the alleged Parnell letter, with the wrongly spelled word, "hesitency," underlined; the photographs and placques of legal luminaries and latter-day prominent politicians, which hang cheek by jowl with an I.R.A. man's bayonet and shako-style hat, left behind by the men who occupied his house during the Rising, and a piece of statuary representing a man astride a horse. When his son, Mr. Denis Johnston, the well-known playwright, acquired the piece of china in the North some time ago he asked the shopkeeper if it was supposed to be King Billy crossing the Boyne, and the man behind the counter barked back: "It's not supposed to be King Billy crossing the Boyne; it is King Billy crossing the Boyne."

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ICE-SKATING AT THE "ZOO"

SKATING in progress yesterday on the pond in the Dublin Zoological Gardens.

MR. J. A. RYAN, President of the Institute of Civil Engineers in Ireland, receiving Mr. P. F. Ryan, B.E., Registrar, before the annual dinner at the Shelbourne Hotel.

Mr. L. J. Winder, Miss A. B. Cassidy and Mr. O. McSwiney, who were called to the Bar yesterday.

ON THE ICE.—Mrs. T. V. Murphy, Mrs. J. F. Cunningham, Mrs. McGrath and Mrs. E. J. Kelly skating on the "Zoo" pond yesterday.

MISS ELIZABETH YEATS, sister of the late Mr. W. B. Yeats, the famous poet, and of Mr. Jack Yeats, R.H.A., who has just died.

LADY MAFFEY presenting prizes at yesterday's Royal National Lifeboat Institute's children's party at the Shelbourne Hotel.

MISS IDA NICHOLSON, with her little guests, at the party which she gave yesterday to the children of Irish Guardsmen, at the Abbey Church Hall, Parnell square, Dublin.

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THE LATE REV. T. FINLAY

At a meeting of the Council of the Statistical and Social Inquiry Society of Ireland a resolution of sympathy with the relatives of the late Father Finlay and with the Society of Jesus was passed.

The late Father Finlay was a member of the Statistical Society since November, 1886, and was elected to the Council in November, 1889. He was president in the two years' period 1911-'12 and 1912-'13, and had since been one of the vice-presidents.

A national delegate conference of the Mineworkers' Federation meets in London next Thursday to consider the owners' offer of a wage formula based on the cost of living.

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BETS VOID

THE Stewards of the Leopardstown meeting—Mr. Isidore Blake, Captain G. F. Dunne, Mr. I. K. Laidlaw and Mr. W. E. Wylie, K.C.—inspected the course yesterday and decided to postpone the meeting arranged for to-morrow, at which the Red Cross Steeplechase was to be run, to the following Saturday, January 27th.

The Baldoyle meeting, which was fixed for January 27th, has been postponed to February 3rd and the Naas meeting from February 3rd to February 10th.

There has been ante-post betting on the Red Cross Steeplechase and Leopardstown Hurdle Race. These bets are now void in accordance with the rules on betting authorised by Tattersall's Committee in Great Britain and by the Conyngham Club in Ireland. The rules of the latter Club stipulate that bets on postponed races stand until a Sunday intervenes. Some English bookmakers, however, have decided to allow bets to stand if their clients wish.

TO WORK ON STRAND

RED CROSS HORSES GOING TO PORTMARNOCK

Jack Chaucer, Bally Hopeful and Ballyhooley, all trained by Cecil Brabazon at the Curragh, will be sent to Portmarnock Strand to complete their preparations for the postponed Red Cross Steeplechase. Jack Chaucer will be ridden in the race by J. C. Parkinson and Ballyhooley by R. MacCarthy. J. Bissill has been engaged already for Bally Hopeful.

On Straight, who will be ridden in the Leopardstown Hurdle Race by Aubrey Brabazon, will also be sent to work on the strand.

Mr. James V. Rank's Duke of Burgundy, who is also being prepared for the Leopardstown Hurdle, in which he will be ridden by E. Foley, is likely to do his winding-up gallops at Portmarnock.

PHŒNIX PARK £200 HURDLE RACE

MISS DOROTHY PAGET PRESENTS A CUP

Miss Dorothy Paget, at present in Dublin, with the intention of seeing her horse, Le Cygne, run in the Red Cross Steeplechase, has thirty odd horses temporarily stabled at the Phœnix Park racecourse. When she learned that it was the intention of the Phœnix Park Club to include a hurdle race in the programme of the March meeting she generously offered to present a cup for it.

The race, which will be for maidens, over a distance of one and a half miles, will be the first hurdle race run at a Phœnix Park meeting for thirty-five years, and will be named the Dorothy Paget Cup. In addition to the cup, the Club will add 200 sovs. in prize money, and entries close on February 21.

SPORTING GOSSIP

Manton Trainer's Recovery

J. Lawson, the Manton trainer, has fully recovered from his recent illness. He stated yesterday that Lord Astor's Ascot Gold Cup candidate, Quick Ray, has wintered well, and, if circumstances permit, will contest the Coronation Cup at Epsom.

Owner Ordered Abroad

Mr. J. M. Dennis's horses, Taylorstown, Jeroboam, Sorban, Ergo, Sad Jester and John Peel, well-known steeplechasers and hurdle-racers, are to be offered for sale at Gatwick on February 2. The owner has been ordered abroad on active service. Taylorstown, who won his last four steeplechases in Ireland, is described as a likely "National" horse.

£1,000 'Chase at Newbury

The programme at Newbury on Easter Saturday, March 23, will include the Great Berkshire Steeplechase, a handicap of £1,000. The distance is three miles.

BADMINTON

INTER-BRANCH MATCH TO-MORROW

The inter-branch match between the Midlands and the South, which will be played at the McIntyre Hall, Schoolhouse lane, Dublin, to-morrow night, starting at 7 o'clock, should provide a first-class contest. The Midland Branch is putting its best team in court, and, with increasing popularity, the standard of play in the South has gone up, so that the visitors have great hopes of gaining a first victory in the series. The teams will be:—

MIDLAND BRANCH.

Men—C. H. Maidment, J. S. Wilson, A. G. Trapnell, N. H. Lambert.

Women—Misses N. Stoker, N. Conway, G. Carty, Mrs. Trapnell.

SOUTHERN BRANCH.

Men—W. Hosford, F. South, J. Quinnell, C. Johnston.

Women—Mrs. Hendrick, Misses D. Brown, Seymour, H. Palmer.

HUNTING APPOINTMENTS

WARD UNION.

January.	Meet.	Hour.
To-day	Rathgate	1.30

THE KILDARE.

To-day	Courtown Gate	11.0

THE MEATH.

To-day	Poorhouse, Dunshaughlin.	11.0

OTHER MEETS TO-DAY.

Coollattin Hounds—Killaveney, 11.0.
Gaultier Hounds—Parkeswood, 11.0.
Island Hounds—Clondaw, 11.0
North Kilkenny Hounds—Uskerty, 11.0.
Louth Hounds—Moortown, 11.0.
Queen's County Hounds—Ballintubbert, 12.0
Scarteen Hounds ("The Black and Tans")—Limerick Junction, 11.0.
South Union Hounds—Cummeen, 11.30.
West Waterford Hounds—Tallow, 11.0.
Wexford Hounds—Kayle, 11.0
Mid-Antrim Harriers—Liminary, 12.30.
South Co. Dublin Harriers—Rathcoole, 2.0.
Fingal Harriers—Chapelmidway, 12.0.
North Kildare Harriers—Dancing Tree, 11.30.
Longford Harriers—Howden's Cross, 12.0.
Newry Harriers—Lisnamon Chapel, 12.30.
Mr. O'Hara's Harriers—Claragh, 11.30.
Carlow Hounds—Tullow, 11.0.

HUNT CARDS.

SOUTH COUNTY DUBLIN HARRIERS.—To-day (Friday), Rathcoole, 2 p.m. (This meet has been put forward from Saturday, 20th inst.).

THE LIMERICK HUNT BALL.

OWING TO THE RED CROSS STEEPLECHASE BEING POSTPONED,
THE LIMERICK HUNT BALL
WILL NOW TAKE PLACE ON
SATURDAY, 27th JANUARY,
AT THE
ROYAL HIBERNIAN HOTEL, DUBLIN.

WARD UNION HUNT BALL.

ALL THE TICKETS HAVE BEEN SOLD, AND IN NO CIRCUMSTANCES CAN ANYONE BUT TICKET HOLDERS BE ADMITTED.

—(Advt.)

TALE OF THE TURF

DIAMOND JUBILEE WAS A HANDFUL

But Herbert Jones Humoured Him into Winning Races

FROM OUR TRAVELLING CORRESPONDENT.

LONDON, Thursday Night.

IF Persimmon was the greatest son of Perdita II., Diamond Jubilee was the most remarkable. He came four years later, and with his brother's reflected glory on him he was such a much thought of foal that the Prince of Wales when away from Sandringham had to be sent daily bulletins reporting his progress. Possibly, the attentions and adulation he received turned his young head, for he would gallop his royal owner down in his paddock if he did not get out of the way soon enough.

When he came to Egerton House to be trained he was already something more than a handful. Precocity had developed in him to a high degree, and he gave endless trouble to break.

The following season it was decided that he should follow in Persimmon's footsteps and make a first appearance in the Coventry Stakes at Ascot. Naturally he was an object of tremendous attention and interest on the Royal Heath.

"A Nice Mannered Colt"

Marsh, by this time, knew his ways only too well, and, in the interests of public safety, had him saddled outside the paddock gate. The Prince's secretary, Sir Dighton Probyn, had come out to watch the operation, and was remarking what a nice-mannered colt he seemed, when Diamond Jubilee lashed out and caught a liege subject ject in the hand. His trainer knew then that the worst was coming, and it did come. It was more than half an hour after the advertised time that the start took place.

When Diamond Jubilee arrived at the gate with his ears well back Watts anticipated trouble, and he met it when he turned the colt's head to face up the course. Diamond Jubilee stood almost vertically on his hind legs, behaving like a mad horse, and tried to get Watts's foot so as to drag him from the saddle.

When the much-harassed starter, the late Mr. Arthur Coventry, came back, he said he had never seen a notoriously vicious old horse, let alone a novice two-year-old, behave in such fashion. In the race Diamond Jubilee ran fast for four furlongs, and was just beaten out of a place, Lord William Beresford winning the race with Democrat.

Still Intractible

The July Stakes, on the summer course, close to his own stable, was the next race chosen for him, and it was hoped that, saddled away from the crowd in the peaceful atmosphere behind the plantation, he would be tractable. He was not. He shifted Watts at the post, and had a gallop on his own. He got away well from the gate, but was in no mood to race, and would not gallop when his jockey called on him.

He was then stamped as a "rank coward," and so on, and the knife was urged as the best remedy for his demoniacal temper. If that operation had been performed it would have cost the Prince £50,000.

About this time Perdita II. died, possibly of grief for the waywardness of her offspring. It was apparent to Marsh that Diamond Jubilee did not like Watts, so he substituted Mornington Cannon at Goodwood. Diamond Jubilee ran better, but was not good enough to beat Epsom Lad.

His First Win

Cannon rode him again when he won his first race, the Boscawen Stakes, at Newmarket, but, in the Middle Park, Cannon was claimed by the Kingsclere stable, and Watts was put up. Democrat beat him again, and once more in the Dewhurst.

No one connected with Egerton House thought much of Diamond Jubilee, but Marsh still believed in him. He had in his yard then a youth named Herbert Jones, who had a gift for mesmerising certain horses, and he mesmerised Diamond Jubilee. He mesmerised him, in fact, to such a tune that in the next season he won the 2,000 Guineas, the Derby, the St. Leger and the Eclipse Stakes—a marvellous season for his Royal owner, who, earlier in the year, won the Grand National with Ambush II.

Herbert Jones was not then what might be called a "recognised jockey." He "did" a couple of horses in the yard and had an occasional mount in public, but was not thought good enough to ride Diamond Jubilee in the 2,000 Guineas. Cannon was available and was chosen.

Nearly Savaged

He had a preliminary ride on the colt on the private gallop, and the partnership was satisfactory, but when he dismounted Diamond Jubilee seized him and rolled him over. He was just saved from being savaged, and was more careful when he got off him after his next gallop. Cannon then told Marsh that the colt had not gone well, and too clearly did not like him.

Marsh then took his courage in both hands and asked Lord Marcus Beresford to implore the Prince to put Jones up in the 2,000 Guineas. The Prince agreed. In the Guineas Diamond Jubilee behaved like an angel and won by four lengths. "The rampageous beast of last July has been transformed into an agreeable racehorse," was the comment on the performance.

Between the Guineas and the Derby he still played the acrobat and generally preferred the vertical to the horizontal position. On the morning of the Newmarket Stakes, which he won, he reared up and fell back heavily. Jones only won the Newmarket Stakes by a head from Tod Sloan on Chevening, but the colt won the Derby, for which he started favourite, by an easy half-length, after having been interfered with in the race.

Won the Eclipse

He lost the Princess of Wales's Stakes to Merry Gal, who was receiving 19lb., but he won the Eclipse a fortnight later. His temper did not improve with the autumn, and when he took him to Doncaster, Marsh was not too happy.

At Doncaster he was in one of the most devilish humours, and reared up when he saw his trainer come near him with the saddle. It took a quarter of an hour before the saddle could be slipped on and the girths adjusted. Then he would not let Jones mount, and at the post spent most of the time with his forelegs high in the air, and just sulked. But he won the St. Leger, and no three-year-old since has won the three classics and the Eclipse.

From Bad to Worse

Then his temper went from bad to worse. Before the Jockey Club Stakes, which he lost, he was a fiend incarnate. Finally, he turned against even the faithful Jones, and the jockey could not sleep at night for bad dreams of the colt and his antics.

He did nothing the next season, finishing second to Epsom Lad in the Princess of Wales's Stakes and fourth in the Eclipse. He was then a complete savage, and bit a stable lad's thumb off. He would roar at his trainer, and it became unsafe to go near him in his box. After a failure in the Jockey Club Stakes, it was decided to retire him.

Once at the stud he became the most tractable of horses, and it was the same when he went to Argentina. There was no more docile or kinder horse in the South American continent than Diamond Jubilee.

GALTEE MORE.

HOCKEY

TO-DAY'S MATCH TO TAKE PLACE

LEINSTER TO OPPOSE CONNAUGHT

BY OUR HOCKEY CORRESPONDENT.

Despite the heavy frost of the past week, the ground at Londonbridge road proved to be playable on inspection late yesterday afternoon, and the Leinster-Connaught match will definitely take place this afternoon at 3.0. Conditions, however, will not be normal, and, with the ball apt to fly around a good deal, Leinster may have their work cut out to overcome the fast and keen Connaught XI.

On paper, Leinster look to have a team of considerable possibilities. The defence has been chosen for solid qualities, and these may prove to be valuable to-day. McDonald has been well tested as a goalkeeper, and came through well at Bambridge, while Donald and McWeeney are safe backs, if not particularly speedy. With R. Pilkington and Sanderson on either side of him, the Trinity man, H. Lush, should have confidence at centre-half, while there is any amount of speed and dash in the attack, with M. McGilligan as a purveyor of openings at inside-right.

A CLEVER FORWARD.

He has proved to be the cleverest forward in Leinster this season, and should make the best of F. B. O'Kelly on the wing, and his brother, D. McGilligan, in the centre. J. A. MacDonogh's appearance at inside-left should be interesting, as he has not previously figured there in a big match, but he and the fast Railway man, K. Tanham, should work in well together. On a normal pitch this line would be dangerous, but they may find matters difficult this afternoon.

Connaught did not shape too well against Munster a couple of weeks ago; and there are definite holes in the defence, but P. O'Keeffe can be a great centre-half for his province, while R. H. Russell's return after an injury will strengthen the attack considerably. He, Delaney, Garry, and Bolger will take plenty of watching if the ball runs their way; but the odds seem to be on a Leinster victory.

An Ulster team was chosen to take part in the tournament, but I gather that their match against Munster to-day is unlikely to take place.

MONKSTOWN 2ND V. Y.M.C.A. 2ND

This Irish Junior Cup match will be played at Claremont road, instead of at Royal terrace, to-morrow, at 2.30.

I.H.U. GENERAL MEETING

The general meeting of the I.H.U. will be held to-night at Londonbridge road at 8 o'clock. The chair will be taken by Mr. A. C. Montgomery, president.

TO-DAY'S FIXTURE

Senior Interprovincial — Leinster v. Connaught. Londonbridge road, 3.0.

TEAMS

LEINSTER.

Goal—D. McDonald (Dublin University).
Full-backs—P. F. McWeeney (capt.), G. K. Donald (Three Rock Rovers).
Half-backs—R. E. Pilkington (Three Rock Rovers), H. Lush (Dublin University), V. Sanderson (Imperial Tobacco Co.).
Forwards—F. B. O'Kelly (Monkstown), M. McGilligan, D. McGilligan (Dublin University), J. A. McDonogh (Three Rock Rovers), K. Tanham (Railway Union).

CONNAUGHT.

Goal—J. Coogan (Kilkenny).
Full-backs—J. Croke, C. Odlum (Maryborough).
Half-backs—F. J. Loughlin (Maryborough), C. M. O'Keeffe (Corinthians), N. Kelly (Maryborough).
Forwards—F. Brennan (Castlecomer), R. H. Russell (Three Rock Rovers), J. Delaney, J. Garry (Corinthians), J. Gorry (Clan), J. G. Bolger (Maryborough).

AMATEUR BOXING

ENGLISH TEAM'S VISIT

STRONG IRISH SIDE SELECTED

The following team has been selected to represent the I.A.B.A. against the Northern Counties of England, at the Stadium, on Friday, February 2:

Fly—J. McGauran (Unity).
Bantam—M. Doyle (Corinthians).
Feather—J. Smith (Clonmel).
Light—E. Chandler (Corinthians).
Welter—S. Clancy (Arbour Hill).
Cruiser—E. O'Keefe (Blackrock, Cork).
Heavy—P. O'Sullivan (Mourne Abbey).

The substitutes in the same order of weights are: J. Healy (Clonmel), O. Browne (Tralee), P. Dowdall (Portobello), D. O'Kelly (Baldonnel), V. Black (Baldonnel), E. Forde (St. Andrews) or F. Parsons (Galway), A. Conmy (Sligo) or F. Curran (Portobello), M. Agnew (Belfast).

The English team is as follows:
Fly—A. Russell (Rotherham).
Bantam—T. J. Dunne (St. M. M., Liverpool).
Feather—F. Smith (Hillsboro').
Light—R. Shiels (Grafton).
Welter—B. Lindley (Sheffield).
Middle—J. Atkin (Hull St. Marys).
Cruiser—A. Woodcock (Doncaster).
Heavy—W. Banks (Hull St. Marys).

The Irish team is one of the strongest that could be chosen, every man on it having won his spurs this season. It will be particularly interesting to see how McGauran and Chandler fare in their experience of English opposition; while the cruiser-weight, E. O'Keefe, is also new to honours.

The Northern Counties team is a powerful one, and contains two former A.B.A. champions in Russell and Woodcock.

INGLE MEETS DOWDALL TO-NIGHT

SPLENDID PROGRAMME AT STADIUM

In to-night's group tournament at the Stadium J. Ingle will be making his second appearance as a feather-weight, taking on the European champion, Corporal Dowdall, on this occasion. Ingle probably learnt a great deal from his defeat at the hands of J. Smith, of Clonmel, last week, and he will probably pursue a more determined attacking policy against Dowdall, who, like Smith, is a difficult customer to hit. The latter's recent form has been somewhat disappointing, and Ingle may come out on top to-night.

The rest of the bill is highly attractive also. J. McGouran, who is possibly the best of the fly-weights now, opposes a Belfast boy in P. Boyles; the junior bantam champion, A. Delahunt, tackles a tough proposition in N. Gifford; the knock-out star, F. Chandler, a possible light-weight champion, meets Private Ryan; Tommy Byrne should have a great battle with Sean Clancy, and F. Parsons will be up against a tough, rugged middle-weight in J. Burke, of Phœnix—altogether a top-class programme.

COURSING

DUNSHAUGHLIN AGAIN POSTPONED

The Dunshaughlin meeting, which was to have been held on Tuesday, but was postponed to yesterday, was again postponed to next Tuesday.

RUGBY FOOTBALL

SAYERS ARRANGES ANOTHER MATCH

MORGAN INVITED TO PLAY FOR EMPIRE SIDE

Captain H. J. M. Sayers cannot see his way clear to stage a return Rugby match between England and Wales and Ireland and Scotland. Instead he has arranged for the Army to play the Empire for the Army Recreation and Equipment Fund at Richmond Athletic Ground on February 10. Kick-off, 3 o'clock. Invitations have been sent to the following players:—

Army—V. G. J. Jenkins, E. J. Unwin, D. J. MacRae, W. Wooller, R. H. Guest, F. J. Reynolds, J. Ellis, R. E. Prescott, W. H. Travers, W. E. N. Davies, R. B. Mayne, G. B. Hornsburgh, A. W. B. Buchanan, P. L. Duff and H. J. M. Sayers.

Empire—W. M. Penman, A. Obolensky, L. Babrow, M. J. Davies, D. G. Cobden, G. A. Walker, G. J. Morgan, D. E. Teden, H. Muller, Another, V. S. Wilson, T. F. Huskisson, J. K. Watkins, D. K. Mackenzie and E. E. Dunlop.

The Empire side is remarkably representative. The two centres, Babrow and Davies, hail from South Africa, which country also supplies Muller, the Oxford hooker. New Zealand gives D. G. Cobden, and Australia is represented by their captain, V. Wilson, and Dunlop. England, Scotland and Ireland also contribute, and it only remains for Captain Sayers to find a Welshman to take the place of "Another."

After the match H. C. Laird, of England and Harlequins, has organised a dinner and dance at a London hotel, to be called the Scrum Ball. The proceeds will be devoted to the same charity.

The match between Midlands and Barbarians, in aid of the Army Recreational Equipment Fund, which was to have been played at Leicester to-morrow, has been scratched.

MUNSTER JUNIOR TRIAL

The following team has been chosen to represent Counties Tipperary and Waterford v. County Limerick in a Junior interprovincial trial match, to be played at Limerick on February 16th:—

Full-back, D. Ryan (Cashel); three-quarters, M. Kelly (Clanwilliam), J. Kinsella (Waterpark), O'Rahelly (Clanwilliam) (capt.), T. Parle (Carrick-on-Suir); out-half, E. J. Graham (Nenagh); scrum, D. Devitt (Cashel); forwards, D. Lonergan (Clonmel), M. Kelly (Cashel), Collins (Nenagh), E. Connolly (Carrick-on-Suir), T. Cronin (Waterpark), L. Cullen (Thurles), P. Shea (Clonmel).

TO-MORROW'S FIXTURES

(KICK-OFF 3.0.)

Larrcowne v. University College, Lansdowne road.
Dublin University v. Wanderers, College Park.
Old Wesley v. Clontarf, Donnybrook.
Monkstown v. Old Belvedere, Sydney Parade.
Malone v. Palmerston, Belfast.
Garryowen v. Bective Rangers, Limerick.

ASSOCIATION FOOTBALL

PREPARING FOR CUP

LIMERICK SIGN FORMER MANCHESTER PLAYER

In preparation for their forthcoming Cup tie against Shamrock Rovers, Limerick are going all out to put a first-class eleven on the field. It was announced yesterday that they have signed Leo Harte, a former Manchester United centre half, and they are also in touch with an outside left and goalkeeper. The rumour that J. O'Mahony (full back) and M. O'Mahony (right half) had asked for their release has been denied.

The selection of the Limerick team to meet Bray Unknowns on Sunday has been deferred.

RED CROSS MATCH TEAMS

The teams to take part in the F.A. XI. v. Surrey County F.A. XI. representative match at Guildford, in aid of the Red Cross Fund, on January 27 will be:—

F.A. XI.—Gaskell (Brentford); Cann (Charlton Athletic), Hapgood (Arsenal) (capt.); Sykes (Millwall), Betmead (Grimsby Town), McLuckie (Chelmsford); Sargent (Tottenham Hotspur), Smith (Crystal Palace), Perry (Doncaster Rovers), M. Edelston (Reading), L. C. Finch (Barnet).

Surrey County—G. L. Lindsay (Walton-on-Thames); Owens (Crystal Palace), W. Lawrence (Woking); Calladine (Guildford City), Robinson (Guildford City), Denby (Guildford City); A. W. Abbott (Woking), F. Prenkett (Woking), Blackman (Crystal Palace), J. Laurie (Vickers Armstrong), E. Mann (Vickers Armstrong).

JAMES ALLEN RETURNS TO PORTSMOUTH

Portsmouth will have two Cup final captains in their side against Southampton at the Dell to-morrow. Besides Guthrie, who led the team at Wembley last April, James Allen, captain of Portsmouth at Wembley in 1934, will also appear. Allen was transferred to Aston Villa in June, 1934, at the then record fee of £11,000. Villa have closed down temporarily, and as Allen has returned to the South he readily offered his services to his old club.

ENGLISH TEAM CHANGE

As Willingham, the Huddersfield Town right-half, has reported that he is not fit to play, a change is being made in the England team to play the Army at Selhurst Park to-morrow. Crayston, selected for left-half, moves over to his club position on the right, and Copping (Leeds United) comes in at left-half.

RE-ARRANGED MATCHES

As the Swansea Town v. Bristol City match in the South-Western Section has been postponed from to-morrow to March 9, the fixture between the teams at Bristol on that date has been re-arranged for March 23.

Owing to the Red Cross Fund match between the League XI. and All-British team at Bradford on January 27, the Bradford v. York City, North-Eastern match, has been postponed from January 27 to February 17.

BOXING

CLEVER VICTORY FOR McSTRAVICK

CONCEDES WEIGHT AND BEATS RANKIN

At Liverpool Stadium last night, Terry McStravick, the leading contender for the Irish feather-weight honour, secured a points victory over Jackie Rankin, London, in the main contest over ten rounds. Conceding nearly half a stone, McStravick had to fight hard for victory against the hard-hitting Londoner. McStravick took command at the outset with two-handed body attacks, forcing Rankin to retreat. The latter fought desperately hard in the closing stages, but the Irishman, by superior speed and ring-craft, was never in difficulties.

WOMEN'S HOCKEY

SCHOOLS' TRIAL TEAMS

At a meeting of the Schools' Branch of the Leinster Hockey Union the following trial teams were selected for the Schools' Trial Match:—

"A" Team—Misses Bateman (Alexandra College); Hafter (Wesley College), Cahill (Loreto, Stephen's Green); Kelly (Alexandra College), Le Koule (Wesley College), J. Haughton (Alexandra College); Perkins (Arklow), Boston (Alexandra College L.), Fahey (Glengarra), Kinsella (Monkstown), Blackmore (Arklow).

"B" Team—Misses Kavanagh (Arklow); Lamb (Alexandra College L.), O'Gorman (Monkstown); Hamilton (Loreto, Stephen's Green), Wilcox, E. Haughton (Alexandra College L.), Dillon (Arklow), Strahan (Muckross), Brennan (Arklow), Allen (Wesley College).

"C" Team—Misses Eccles (Alexandra College L.); Ryan (Loreto, Cromlin), ——— (Glengarra); Curran (Muckross), J. O'Reilly (Alexandra College L.), O'Donoghue (Muckross), Mary A. Haddington road), Lane (Alexandra School), Doran (Alexandra College L.), O'Reilly (Loreto, Stephen's Green), ——— (Glengarra); Twomey (Alexandra School), O'Brien (St. Mary's, Haddington road), Clarke (Alexandra College L.); Conroy (Bon Secours), Hayes (Loreto, Stephen's Green), Mahony (Alexandra School), Davis (Masonic), Healy (Glen Hill), Morgan (Loreto, Cromlin).

SENIOR SCHOOLS' CUP

ST. MARY'S, HADDINGTON ROAD 2, ALEXANDRA COLLEGE 11.

Yesterday at Milltown, after a keenly contested game, St. Marys qualified for the third round of the senior schools' cup, beating Alexandra College by the odd goal in three. Misses Fagan and McCabe scored for St. Marys, and Miss Hewson scored for Alexandra College 11.

SQUASH RACKETS

THE INTER-CLUB LEAGUE

UNIVERSITY'S RETURN TO FORM

Following their defeat last week, University came back yesterday with a 3-nil victory over Kilkenny to maintain their lead in Section A of the inter-club league. It was a very hard-fought encounter, the two top matches going to five games. Stephen's Green, who are hot on their heels, also gained a clear victory at the expense of Kildare Street, and in the top match, P. McCann, despite a useful handicap, put up another splendid performance in beating Sir Basil Goulding in the fifth game.

In Section B, Trinity A won again, but W. F. Collis saved a point for Rotunda with a useful win over P. H. Gawith. Fits William B beat Trinity B, while the third match in this section, between Friendly Brothers and Bankers' B, was postponed until next Tuesday. Results:—

SECTION A.

University	3	Kilkenny	0

At University Club:
P. B. McCormack (1+2) beat E. W. McCabe (1+1), 8-10, 9-7, 7-9, 9-6, 9-3; G. Fitzgibbon (1+2) beat T. P. Horan (1+3), 9-5, 8-10, 5-9, 9-7, 9-7; J. H. Sides (2+2) beat J. W. Lane (2+3), 9-4, 3-9, 9-2, 9-7.

Stephen's Green	3	Kildare Street	0

At Stephen's Green:
D. McCann (2) beat Sir B. Goulding (−1h−8), 9-2, 9-5, 5-9, 8-10, 9-5; F. J. Tunney (1+3) beat L. Wyse French (1+3), 7-9, 9-5, 9-4, 9-3; T. A. Brindley (1+3) beat P. Jameson (2+3), 9-7, 9-2, 9-6.

Ballsbridge	2	Trinity	1

At James's street:
T. J. Hanly (3) beat D. C. Williams (3), 9-7, 6-9, 9-5, 6-9, 9-5; F. F. Reade (3) beat C. F. Anderson (2+2), 5-9, 9-0, 9-5, 9-5; R. C. Peterson (1+3) lost to C. H. Dagg (2+4), 5-9, 3-9, 10-9, 9-4, 9-10.

SECTION B.

Trinity A	2	Rotunda	1

At Rotunda:
P. H. Gawith (3) lost to W. F. Collis (1+1), 7-9, 5-9, 7-9; T. P. Harvey (3) beat G. C. Dockeray (2+3), 9-5, 9-4, 9-2; J. C. Quinn (3) beat G. Wiggins (2+5), 9-10, 9-4, 9-4, 9-4.

Fitzwilliam B	2	Trinity B	1

At Trinity College:
E. O'R. Kenny (3+2) beat J. Nash (1+4), 7-9, 10-8, 6-9, 10-8, 9-3; R. K. Pilkington (1+4) lost to J. Greene (3+5), 8-10, 9-7, 7-9, 8-10; R. Hogan (3+2) w.o., G. B. Yeates (2+3) absent.

CHAMPIONSHIP CLOSES THIS EVENING

The Irish Open Championship will commence at Fitzwilliam next Monday, and the entries close this evening. So far the entry for the championship has been rather below expectations, but it is hoped that it will be increased considerably in the course of to-day. A men's handicap event in two classes will also be held, and a women's handicap, provided sufficient entries are received for the last-named event.

SNOOKER

DONALDSON AGAIN DRAWS LEVEL

NEWMAN IN FINE FORM AGAINST SMITH

A foul shot, which gave him victory, enabled Walter Donaldson to check the progress of Alec Brown in their heat of the Gold Cup tournament at Thurston's, London, yesterday. Brown, who is meeting the Scot on level terms, won the first three games of the early session to establish a good lead. In the fourth frame Donaldson, when leading by two points with pink and black still on the table, failed with an easy shot, and Brown at a more difficult one. Then the Scot, having put down the pink to increase his advantage to eight, went "in off" the black to end the game and give himself a win by one point. Donaldson also took the fifth game to be only one behind at the interval.

Play continued level in the second session. Donaldson drew level when he won the first frame, and, although Brown went ahead again when he secured the next two, the Scot won the fourth and fifth and equalled matters once more. Close—Brown 20, Donaldson 20.

NEWMAN AHEAD

Sidney Smith was rather lucky to win three of the five frames against Tom Newman at Burroughes Hall, London, in the first session. After each had won two frames, Smith, who is conceding 20 points a game, secured the fifth by hitting the black, which had been respotted after a tie. Newman's potting was superb at times, the best example being in the fourth frame, which he won by no fewer than 126 points. He made breaks of 30 and 33 and cleared the table in a run of 27 for an easy win by 137-11. His only other innings of note was 37. Newman gained the lead when he won all five games played at the second session his biggest win being in the third, which he won 119-39. Close—Newman 21, Smith 19.

JOE DAVIS HAS ANOTHER POINTLESS FRAME

For the second time in just over a fortnight Joe Davis has failed to score in a game. He had this experience at Manchester yesterday during the early play against his brother, Fred, in their heat of the Gold Cup tournament. Fred Davis began the third frame with his usual allowance of 30 points, scored 32 by small items, and then cleared the table with a break of 92 to win the game at 154-0. This run—the highest of the match up to that point—included six blacks, a blue, a pink and all the pool balls. Fred, who had a break of 60 in the fifth game, won three of the five frames to increase his lead to 13 at the interval. This he made 14 when he won three more frames at night. Close—F. Davis, 27; Joe Davis, 13.

GOLF

SOUTH AFRICA TO HOLD CHAMPIONSHIP

CAPETOWN, Thursday.

South African golfers are not disposed to allow the war to interfere with their important tournaments, and it has been decided to proceed with arrangements for holding the National Championship meeting at Port Elizabeth at Easter. Mr. H. Conyers Kirby, Secretary of the South African Golf Union, in making this statement, added that the necessary action will be taken if conditions arise that make a postponement advisable. S. D. (Bobby) Locke, who toured Great Britain last summer, holds the S.A. Open title. The amateur champion is Otway Hayes.

CLUB NOTICES

KILBRONEY.

Ladies' Branch.—Sweep postponed, links unplayable.

RATHFARNHAM.

Ladies' Branch.—Tuesday next—Postponed December medal); usual draws.

ISLAND.

Ladies' Branch.—Wednesday next—Medal, bogey.

WOODBROOK GOLF CLUB.

TO-MORROW (SATURDAY):
DANCE IN CLUBHOUSE, INFORMAL.
8 p.m. to 12 midnight.
TICKETS (payable at door) ..... 3/6.
—(Advt.)

BRITISH MIDDLE-WEIGHT CHAMPIONSHIP

Bert Gilroy, Scottish title-holder, and Ginger Sadd (Norwich), Eastern Area champion, have agreed to meet at Newcastle on February 5 in the final eliminating contest for the British Middle-weight championship. The winner will have the right to fight Jock McAvoy for the title.

OFFICIAL SCRATCHINGS

All engagements in Mr. C. Walsh's name—Dismay Lily (8 yrs.), French Fable colt (3 yrs.).

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Prizes for the Best Middle :: The Best Furrow :: Best Pair of Horses
Sheaf-Tossing :: Pig-weight Guessing :: Milk-weight, etc.

SAME NIGHT:—
GRAND DANCE—from 9 p.m.—CONFRATERNITY HALL

RED CROSS 'CHASE & HURDLE
IMPORTANT NOTICE

Owing to postponement of these events ALL BETS ARE VOID. All money will be returned on presentation of vouchers. This includes horses that have been scratched. A **NEW MARKET** will be formed to-morrow (Saturday), 20th Jan., on Red Cross 'Chase and Hurdle.

JOE & MAURICE
MIRRELSON
43 DAME ST., 6 NORTH EARL STREET, 22 SOUTH ANNE STREET

IMPORTANT NOTICE

In accordance with the Conyngham Club decision all Wagers made on the Red Cross 'Chase fixed for Saturday, January 20th, become void.
The 'Chase has been postponed to January 27th next.
A Price List will be published immediately.
Clients who have already sent Cash to cover investments on the race and wish to reinvest same should give notification to this effect as early as possible.

JIM RICE
8 POTTINGER'S ENTRY, 8 GROWN ENTRY (BOTH OFF HIGH ST.)
81 FOUNTAIN ST., 81 SMITHFIELD, 6 KENT ST.
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TELEGRAMS ..... "THIGO," BELFAST.

TABLE TENNIS

CARLILE DEFEATS KEMP AGAIN

DUBLIN AND DISTRICT LEAGUE TITLES

For the second time within a week H. S. Carlile beat C. A. Kemp when he won the final of Division I. of the Dublin and District League Singles Championship at the O'Connell Hall, Dublin, last night. For several years Kemp has been supreme in Ireland, but Carlile was the holder of this title, and on last Friday night he defeated Kemp in the Leinster Open Singles Championship.

Carlile won the opening game easily, but with equal facility Kemp took the second, and it looked as if he might reverse last Friday's decision. The decider produced some first-class table tennis. The score ran in level manner to 16-all. When Carlile went to 20-16, Kemp rallied and got as far as 19-20, but Carlile won the next ace for the game, match and championship. With a promising young player, H. Wine, Kemp had previously won the Doubles Championship.

The finals of Division II. were also played last night, and these contests also produced good matches. Details:—

DIVISION I.—DOUBLES.
Semi-Finals.

H. Collins and H. Morris beat H. S. Carille and C. Colter—21-19, 21-17.
C. A. Kemp and H. Wine beat E. C. Smith and M. G. O'Sullivan—21-13, 21-16.
Final.
C. A. Kemp and H. Wine beat H. Collins and H. Morris—21-10, 21-15.
SINGLES—Quarter-Finals.
H. S. Carille beat J. Sutton—21-19, 21-15.
C. A. Kemp beat H. Morris—16-21, 21-10, 21-15.
C. Colter beat H. Collins—21-18, 23-23.
C. A. Kemp beat J. F. Tyndall—21-16, 19-21, 21-8.
H. S. Carille beat C. Colter—21-16, 21-18.
Final.
H. S. Carille beat C. A. Kemp—21-11, 11-21, 21-19.

DIVISION II.—SINGLES.
Semi-Finals.

Miss E. Prescott beat Mrs. Nowlan—21-14, 20-22, 21-13.
A. R. Gillespie beat F. Taylor—20-22, 21-12, 21-19.
Final.
A. R. Gillespie beat Miss E. Prescott—21-15, 21-13.

DOUBLES—Semi-Finals.

R. Finlay and F. Dean beat W. J. Taylor and K. Hill—21-14, 16-21, 21-16.
F. Taylor and A. R. Gillespie beat Mrs. Nowlan and Miss E. Prescott—21-16, 21-19.
Final.
F. Taylor and A. R. Gillespie beat R. Finlay and F. Dean—21-13, 23-20.

ROWING

BOAT RACE FIXED FOR MARCH 2

NO DECISION YET AS TO THE VENUE

There will be an Oxford v. Cambridge boat race this year on Saturday, March 2, although it is not likely to be rowed over the traditional course from Putney to Mortlake. Oxford has suggested Henley as a venue, whereas the Cantabs would prefer to row over the Adelaide course at Ely.

Cambridge University Boat Club, at a meeting in Cambridge yesterday, decided to accept Oxford's challenge to row an unofficial race, and March 2 was agreed upon as the date. The fact that no decision was announced regarding the venue suggests that negotiations are still in progress regarding the rival claims of Henley and Ely.

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GREAT SOUTHERN R

W. H. MORTON, General Manager.

LEOPARDSTOWN RACES

RED CROSS MEETING

Owing to the Postponement of above Meeting, the Excursion Fares and Special Train Arrangements for 19th and 20th January are Postponed.

P. J. FLOYD, Traffic Manager.

NATIONAL LIFEBOAT INSTITUTION

SUCCESSFUL CHILDREN'S PARTY

The Royal National Lifeboat Institution benefited yesterday by the successful Children's Party held in the Shelbourne Hotel, at which a large number of children and their parents and friends were present.

A dancing display was given by pupils of Miss Ray Corry Neale's School of Dancing, and Miss Mona Grey's monologues provided excellent entertainment.

Almost every child came in fancy dress, and great originality was displayed in the costumes.

Captain Fuge was the master of ceremonies, the arrangements being in the hands of a large and capable committee.

Lady Maffey, who was present with her daughter, Mrs. Aitken, presented prizes as follows:—

Best Pair—1st, Barbara and Edward Maguire; 2nd, Joan and Alan O'Grady.

Prettiest Costume—1st, Monica Moran; 2nd, Jane Shaw.

Most Original Costume—1st, Freda Lane; 2nd, Noel Kerrison.

Toddlers—1st, Dolores Hickey; 2nd, Avril Maguire.

Best Group—1st (peasants), V. Goodbody, P. Haydman, U. Moran and Audrey Dumble; 2nd (Dresden china), J. O'Carroll, U. Crean and M. Lydon.

The following constituted the Committee:—Chairman, Lady Taylor; Mr. Denis Barrett, Mrs. David Barry, Mrs. Bretland, Mrs. J. W. Brittain, Mrs. A. H. Huet, Mrs. J. McCann, Mrs. Harold Quinlan, Mrs. Stamford Roche, Mrs. D. A. Wallis, Mrs. C. West.

The helpers included:—Miss Anderson, Miss Yvonne Redmond and Miss Aideen Stokes.

Also present were:—Lady O'Loghlen, Mrs. Chisolm Cameron, Mrs. Preston, Mrs. Mansergh, Mrs. Edgeworth, Mrs. Murnaghan, Mr. and Mrs. Norman Good, Mrs. F. Le Fanu, Mrs. Holmes, Mrs. Cholmondley Clarke, Miss Synolda Cholmondley Clarke, Mrs. Miley, Miss Maureen Smith, Mrs. Denis Daly, Mrs. Desmond Collins, Mrs. Hickey, Mrs. Maguire, the Misses Roche, Miss Stokes, Miss Tunney.

ART IN THE CATHOLIC LIBRARY

The members of the Academy of Christian Art were received at the Central Catholic Library, Dublin, last night, by the Rev. Stephen Brown, S.J., in his joint capacity as hon. librarian of the library and of the academy. Father Brown discussed the more recently added art works in the library, with special reference to architecture, in view of the recent conference held at the academy, in which well-known Irish architects took part.

Proposing thanks to Father Brown and to the ladies who had provided tea, Mr. L. S. Gogan, vice-president of the academy, said that Father Brown was not only the main creator of the Catholic Library, but since the foundation of the Academy of Christian Art, he had redoubled his efforts to create an adequately representative sub-department devoted to art.

Mr. J. Geoghegan seconded the vote, which was carried with acclamation.

The Rev. Myles Ronan, M.R.I.A., the other vice-president of the academy, presided.

The members of the entertainment committee were Mrs. O'Driscoll, Miss Deane, the Misses Geoghegan, Mrs. Montgomery, Miss Moloney, Miss O'Brien, Miss Hayden and Mrs. Foley.

Alfred la Fosse (35) has been arrested on suspicion of murdering 15-year-old Madeleine Lanney, whose body, wrapped in a blanket, was found in a deserted Paris street on Sunday. The police state that la Fosse was traced as being the owner of the blanket.

DUBLIN STOCK EXCHANGE

LOCAL SECURITIES SUPPORTED

Trading on the Dublin Stock Exchange yesterday was far from brisk, but sentiment remained quite good. Local securities were the chief centre of attraction, and, on small support, prices moved upwards. British Industrials were quiet, but advised generally harder from the other side.

Home Government Funds continued in favour, apart from the Second National Loan, which eased to 108⅜. Land Bonds advanced 10s. to 109, and the 4 per cent. Bonds were raised to 96½, while other issues presented a steady appearance.

British Funds were a strong feature on the Government's conversion scheme, and War Loan jumped 1½ to 97. Dublin Port and Docks 4 per cent. gained 1½ points at 92½. Bank of Ireland Stock held 248½.

Guinness Units encountered some liquidation, and closed 1s. down at 78s. Dublin Distillers "A" repeated 2s. 9d.

Rails were busier than of late, and made a firm showing on strong buying. Great Southern Guaranteed jumped two points to 33, and the Deb. 2½ points to 52½. The Junior issues were unchanged. Great Northern Deb. strengthened 1½ points to 50.

Alliance Gas Ord. made headway to 25s., and Irish-American Oil Pref. recovered to 19s. 7½d. Brooks Thomas Ord. fell 1s. to 35s., but Carroll Ord. and Clondalkin Paper Ord. held steady.

Independent "B" Ord. firmed up to 39s.; Irish Sugar Pref. improved to 19s. 6d. x.d., and Irish Tanners Pref. were raised 1s. to 21s. Smyth and Co. Ord. added pence at 13s. 6d., while Solus "B" Ord. rose to 27s., and Sunbeam Wolsey Pref. to 24s.

Textiles advised pence higher, with Coats Ord. around 34s. 9d. and Courtaulds 35s. 9d. Tobaccos, too, were better in nominal markings. B.A.T. Ord. were called 1s. higher at about 98s., and Imperials recorded a fair recovery at 115s. 3d.

Boots Ord. tended higher, and Imperial Chemical Ord. firmed up to 30s. Stewart and Lloyd Def. quoted 43s. 4½d., and Woolworth Ord. 60s. Other favourites reflected the improved tone from London.

OFFICIAL QUOTATIONS

GOVERNMENT FUNDS.

5% Second National Loan	(109)	108¾
Do. Bonds	(108½)	108⅝
Do. (under £200)	(108½)	108½
4½% Third Loan	(103¼)	103¼
4% Conversion Loan	(99⅛)	99¼
Do. (under £200)	(99¼)	99¼
4% Exchequer Bonds	(99⅞)	99⅞
4½% Land Bonds	(108½)	109
Do. (under £200)	(108¼)	108½
4% Land Bonds	(96¼)	*96½
Irish Sugar 4% Deb.	(97)	97

BRITISH FUNDS.

2½% Consols	(70½)	*71¼
3½% War Loan	(95¾)	97
Do. Deed	(31)	*32
Do. (under £200)		96¼
Do. (Bank of England)		99¾
3½% Conversion Loan	(96¼)	97⅛
2½% Do.		69¾
Guar. Land 2¾% 1921 Stock	(85½)	*84½

CORPORATION STOCKS.

Dublin Port and Docks 4%	(91¼)	92½

BANKS.

Bank of Ireland	(248½)	248½

BREWERIES AND DISTILLERIES.

Dublin Distillers "A"	(2/9)	2/9
Guinness Ord.	(79/-)	78/- 78/-

RAILS, TRAMS, ETC.

Great Southern Ord.	(10)	10
Do. Pref.	(15)	*15
Do. Guar.	(31)	*33
Do. Deb.	(50)	52½
Great Northern Deb.	(48¼)	50

GAS.

Alliance Gas Ord.	(24/6)	25/-

IRISH INDUSTRIALS.

Assoc. Chocolate Pref.	(12/-)	12/- 13/3s
Boyril (Eire) Pref.	(19/1)	17/3b 19/3a
Brooks Thomas Ord.	(36/-)	*35/-
Carroll Ord.	(21/6)	*21/6
Clondalkin Paper Ord.	(6/04)	*5/04
Dublin (S.) City Markets Ord.	(81½)	81½
Independent "B" Ord.	(38/6)	39/-
Irish-American Oil Pref.	(19/-)	19/9 19/7½
Irish Sugar Pref.	(18/10½)	19/6
Irish Tanners Pref.	(20/-)	21/-
Politeit Pref.	(12/6)	12/6
Smyth and Co. Ord.	(13/-)	13/6
Solus "B" Ord.	(25/7)	27/-
Sunbeam Wolsey Pref.	(23/6)	24/-

BRITISH INDUSTRIALS.

Boots Ord.	(39/11½)	39/7½
B.A.T. Ord.	(97/9)	97/8b 98/6a
Carreras "B" Ord.	(14/3)	14/5¼
Champion Reef Gold		4/-
Coats (J. and P.) Ord.	(34/3)	34/4b 34/5a
Courtaulds Ord.	(35/-)	35/3b 35/6a
Dunlop Rubbers	(30/-)	28/6b 29/-a
Imperial Chemical Ord.		29/6 30/-
Imperial Tobacco Ord.	(115/6)	114/8b 115/0a
Ind Coope Ord.		70/6
Mysore Gold Mining		9/-
Shell Transport Ord.	(77/9)	77/8b 78/0a
Stewart and Lloyd Def.	(41/7½)	43/4½
Tobacco Trust Ord.	(58/9)	58/7½
Do. Def.	(13/9)	13/8
Vickers Ord.	(17/3)	17/8b 18/0a
Woolworth Ord.	(60/9)	*60/-

*Odd lot. a asked. b bid. c cash.
(Previous prices are given in parentheses.)

IRISH BANKS' RATE.

Irish Banks' Rate (changed October 26, 1939) 3 %

Loans on Government Stocks transferred	3 %
Deposits under £2,000	1 %
Deposits of £2,000 and over	1½ %

The rates in the foregoing table are subject to variation.

CORK EXCHANGE

Second National Loan receded to 108⅜; Third Loan repeated 103½; 4 per Cent. Conversion Loan remained at 99¼, and 4 per Cent. Exchequer Bonds (fully paid) at 99⅞; 4½ per Cent. Land Bonds moved up to 109, and 4 per Cent. Land Bonds to 96½; War Loan advanced to 97; Bank Stock firm at 248½; Great Southern Pref. unchanged at 15; ditto Guaranteed buyers at 30; ditto Deb. rose to 52; Cement Deb. buyers at 101; Cork Gas sellers at 7½; Guinness Ord. came back to 78s.; Irish-American Oil Pref. improved to 19s. 9d.; Irish Sugar Pref. dealt in at 18s. 9d.

THE MONEY MARKET

SILVER RISE CHECKED

Gold remained at 168s. per fine ounce yesterday. Money was in ample supply at 15s. to £1 per cent. Discount rates were steady, with short and three months' bills £1 2s. 6d. per cent.

Silver's rise was checked, both spot and forward standard prices going back from 22½d. to 22¼d per ounce.

Among London official rates, the guilder was adjusted 1 point in favour of sterling to 7.55½. The spread of the Batavia rate was narrowed by 2 points, the middle rate remaining unchanged at 7.51. Some of the free market exchanges improved (obviously reflecting the slight overnight decline of sterling), the lira being ¼ firmer at 77¾ and the yen ⅛ dearer at 14⅛. On the other hand, the Finnish mark eased 5 points to 235 sellers, and the Lima rate ¼ to 20¼.

Centre	January 18. Closing Rates		January 17. Closing Rates		Parity before 20/9/39
New York*	4.02⅛	4.03⅛	4.02⅛	4.03⅛	4.86⅝
Montreal*	4.43	4.47	4.43	4.47	4.86⅝
Amst'dam*	7.53	7.58	7.52	7.57	12.16
Brussels*	23.92	23.98	23.80	23.95	30.26
Copenh'g'n	20⅝	20⅝	20¼	20⅜	18.12
Geneva*	17.95	17.95	17.85	17.95	25.20
Madrid	38¼ sellers		38¼ sellers		25.20
Milan	77	78½	77¼	79¼	92.46
Oslo*	17.65	17.75	17.65	17.75	18.15
Paris*	176½	176¾	176½	176¾	124.21
Stockholm*	16.85	16.95	16.85	16.95	18.16
Alexandria	97⅝	97⅞	97⅝	97⅞	97.5
Athens	535 sellers		535 sellers		975
Helsingf's	—		230 sellers		189.8
Lisbon	107½	108⅜	107½	108⅜	110
B. Ayres*	17.85	17.90	17.85	17.90	47.67
Limaoday	19¼	20¼	19¼	20¼	37.50
Prague	81	83	81	83	97.56
Reykjav'k	33⅝ sellers		33⅝ sellers		4.89
Valparaiso	110 sellers		110 sellers		409
Calcutta	17½	17⅝	17½	17⅝	1/6
Colombo	14⅜	14⅝	14⅜	14⅝	1/6
Hongkong	14⅛	14⅜	14⅛	14⅜	42
Shanghai	14¼	14½	14¼	14½	42
Singapore	58⅛	58⅜	58⅛	58⅜	233.

*Rates fixed by Bank of England. All others are free market rates.

MARKETS AT A GLANCE

Thursday Night.

STOCKS AND SHARES:

London brighter.
Dublin better.
Manchester recovering.
Birmingham harder.
New York easier.

MONEY:

Bank of England Rate	2 %
Last Year	2 %
Irish Bank Rate	3 %
London Three Months' Bills	1½ %
Silver (spot)	22½d.
Price of Gold	168/-

LONDON STOCK EXCHANGE

RISE IN GILT-EDGED CHEERS MARKETS

Following news of the conversion operation, Gilt-edged stocks proved the centre of attraction on the London Stock markets yesterday, and, in response to active bidding, quotations rapidly developed a strong appearance. After a slight reaction, the advance was resumed, and the market concluded with several strong features, prominent among them being War Loan, which at one time was quoted at 97⅞. This movement cheered sentiment throughout the "house," and a wide variety of shares claimed support, with the result that few groups were without their quota of bright spots. British Rails continued in the limelight, and a movement of outstanding importance in the Foreign section was a jump of 10⅞ to 62 in Czech 8 per cent. Bonds.

GILT-EDGED GAINS

Gilt-edged were marked up by as much as 1½ almost immediately business commenced, and, although the initial burst was not quite maintained the market finished only slightly below best, there being considerable fresh buying in progress in the final stages. War Loan finally showed a rise of 1½ at 97⅛, whilst Old Consols added 1½ to 72¾. Conversion 3 per cent. and Local Loans were other notably prominent issues, and India stocks recorded fresh gains of a point and more. Free State 4½ per cent. Land Bonds also showed to advantage, and many of the Dominion and Colonial issues changed hands at enhanced levels.

The turnover in Foreign Bonds did not materially expand, but a splash of colour was supplied by the spurt in Czech Bonds, which returned to favour following the presentation of a bill to Parliament concerning Czecho-Slovakia's balances in Great Britain. Prague 7½ per cent. issues shared in the rise, but there was little of interest among other European. Brazilian Bonds maintained a firm trend in quiet conditions, and, in the Far Eastern section, Japanese 6 per cent. (1924) further strengthened to 58⅜.

RAILS GOOD

The British Rail market was firm under the influence of the Minister of Transport's statement on the subject of railway dividends, and, to the accompaniment of brisk bidding, the Junior issues pursued their recent upward path, the rise being accentuated by the jump in Gilt-edged. Great Western, Southern Prefd. and L.M.S. Ord. all concluded ¼ to the good. Foreign Rails were over-shadowed by the surrounding activity, and, with few exceptions, other Rails were left at their previous closing levels.

Business in Industrials still left much to be desired, but most sections reflected the better feeling prevailing generally, and prices as a whole made progress, the market presenting a firm front at the close. Steels, Tobaccos and Textiles had many bright features, whilst Cable and Wireless issues, Dunlops, Leyland and other leaders were prominently firm.

In Mines, Kaffirs advanced actively early in the day, but subsequently inquiry slowed down and prices eased off, to close without important change. West Africans continued to move within narrow limits, as did the leading Base Metals, which, however, were somewhat harder than formerly.

INDUSTRIALS MUCH BETTER

TRADE RETURNS A STIMULUS

A DISTINCT turn for the better was seen in the Industrial market, following the publication of the latest trade returns. Renewed enquiries were received from the provincial centres, and in some cases substantial gains were recorded. A revival of interest was witnessed among Iron, Steel and Engineering shares. Tobaccos staged a good recovery.

Trans-Atlantics moved irregularly, but Cable and Wireless issues continued in demand, particularly the Pref., which finished 1½ to the good at 98. In the Aircraft and Motor section, Leyland Motors improved ⅛, and Morris Motors and Standards hardened. Hawker Siddeleys and Bristols were also firmer, but De Havillands were a shilling lower.

Breweries did not attract much attention, but Guinness and Bass both moved up 6d. In the Stores group, Woolworths met with support, and finished 9d. to the good, while Marks and Spencers and Gamages were the turn better. Electricals were a trifle firmer where changed.

VICKERS STRONG

Iron and Steel shares showed a general advance, Vickers being prominent with a rise of 1s. 1½d. to 18s. 6d., while gains varying up to a shilling were numerous.

Provision and Catering shares were firm as a whole, Tate and Lyle being the turn better, but United Dairies weakened. In Rayon and Textile shares, Courtaulds met with good support, and moved up 1s. 3d. to 36s., and J. and P. Coats added 6d., and several others were higher.

In the Tobacco group, "Imps" were prominent with a rise of ⅛ on favourable reports as to the dividend due shortly. "Bats" put on ⅛, and Gallahers and Carreras both improved ⅛.

Miscellaneous shares were mainly better where changed. Dunlop Rubbers appreciated 6d., and there were several other small gains.

DEMAND FOR OILS EASILY SATISFIED

Business in Oil shares remained on a rather small scale, and prices fluctuated narrowly. The market displayed a firmer tendency at the opening, several issues improving. Demand, however, was soon satisfied, and prices reacted in some instances. At the close a steady tone prevailed.

Shells improved another ⅛ to 3⅛, but reacted, and finished without alteration at 3⅛. Royal Dutch closed steadily at 33½, and Burmahs advanced ⅛ to 3⅛, while Anglo-Iranians put on ⅛ to 2⅛. Business in the Eagle issues was again restricted, and prices little changed. Among Rumanians Phoenix finished 6d. up at 9s. Of Venezuelans V.O.O.'s marked a gain of ⅛ at 1¼.

RUBBERS STEADIER

The Rubber share market displayed a slightly steadier tendency yesterday. The support available was still extremely small, but selling was much reduced. Business in the circumstances remained on a poor level, and very few alterations appeared in the quotations. The fixed tendency apparent in the raw rubber market on the preceding day became pronounced under the influence of a fairly good trade demand. Sellers were reserved, and spot advanced to 11⅛d. a pound buyers.

LONDON CLOSING PRICES

*Ex div. †Ex rights. ‡Cum. div. ‖Ex bonus.

BRITISH FUNDS, ETC.

—	Closing.	Rise or fall.
Consols 2½%	72⅜	+1⅛
Do. 4% (1957)	106⅝	+1⅛
3½% War Loan	97⅛	+1½
Funding Loan	109⅜	+⅛
Victory Bonds	106⅜	+⅛
3% Conversion Loan	101⅜	+⅛
2½% do.	67¾	+1⅛
4½% do.	101⅛	+⅛
4% do.	101⅜	+1⅛
3½% Land (1903)	78	+1
3% Land (1903)	68	+1
2½% Land Bonds	68	+1
Ingis 3%	68	+1
Do. 3½%	87½	+1¼
Local Loans	84½	+1¼

PUBLIC BOARDS

Cent. El. Bd. 5 p.c. '30-70	107	109
Do. 4½ p.c. '50-70	103	105
Do. 5% '55-78	109	+1
Do. 4½% '57-87	103	105
Do. 4% '60-90	98	+1
Metro. Watr. 4%	84	85

DOMINION AND COLONIAL STOCKS

Australia 3% 1945-75	104½	105½ +⅛
Canada 3% 1938-58	107½	108½
New Zealand 3% 1958-55	85	86 +1½
Queensland 5% 1940-60	101¼	102¾ +⅛
S. African 5% 1943-64	90¾	91¾ +⅛
S. Australian 5% 1945-75	103¾	104¾ +⅛
Victoria 4% 1940-60	99¼	100¼ +⅛
W. Australian 5% 1945-75	103¾	104¾ +1
Austral C. 4 p.c. ('55-70)	99¾	100¾ +1
Austral C. 3½ p.c. ('48-53)	96	98 +1
N.S.W. 3 p.c. ('45-65)	104¼	105¼ +1
N.S.W. 4 p.c. ('42-62)	98	99 +1
N.Z. 3½ p.c. (1955-60)	88	91 +1
Nigeria 6 p.c.	115	116 +1
S. African 4 p.c. ('55-65)	99¼	100¾ +1
S. Aus. 4 p.c. ('40-60)	98	99 +1
Vic. 3 p.c. ('48-78)	103¼	104¼ +1
W. Aus. p.c. ('42-67)	98	99 +1

FOREIGN STOCKS

Arg. '01	104⅜		
Braz. 4½% S.B. '87	15	15	
Do. 5% Fund. '98	23½		+½
Chilean 4½% '36-60	20		
Do. 5% 1918	22		
Czecho-Slov. '08	58		+12⅜
Egyptian Unified	76	79	
French Ln. 4%		101⅝	
German 7%	6	6	
Japan 6% 1924		58½	+ ⅜
Portuguese 3 p.c.	67	70	
— German Ph. / p.c.		33	+½

BRITISH RAILS.

26	Great Western	37	38½ +½
80	Do. 5% Pref.	89½	91½ + ½
11¾	L.M.S. Ord.	13⅞	14¼ + ⅜
—	L.N.E. 5% Pf. Ord.	3¾	4
2	Do. Def. Ord.	2	2¼
107	Lon. Tran. 3% '41	111	114
95	Southern Pref. Ord.	64½	66½ + ½
11¾	Do. Def. Ord.	12½	13¼ + ¼
—	L.M.S. 4 p.c. Pf.	58½	60½ +1
—	L.M.S. 4 p.c. Pf. '25	42¾	44½ +1
—	L.N.E. 4 p.c. 1st Pf.	38½	40½ +1
—	L.N.E. 4p.c. 2nd Pf.	12¾	13½ +1
—	S'thern 5 p.c. Pf.	92	94 +1

COLONIAL AND FOREIGN RAILS

32	Arg. Gt. W. 5% Db.	36	37 −1½
80½	B.A. Mid. 4% Deb.	56	60
6½	Buenos Ayres G.S.	6	7
4	Do. Deb.	55	57
56½	B. A. & Pac. 4% Db.	61	63
29	Do. Con. 4½% Db.	34	36 + ½
5¼	Buenos A. & West.	6	7
40½	Do. 4% Deb.	50½	52½
4	Canadian Pacific	6⅞	7⅛
69½	Do. 4% Deb.	78	81 +1
49	Cent. Arg. 4% Deb	55	57
50	Do.5% Db. 79-81	64	66
53½	Cord.Cen. 1st Deb.	66	68
89	Gd. Tr'k 4% Guar.	96	100
21½	San Paulo Ord.	37	39
—	Antofagasta Ord.	8½	9⅜ −¼

BANKS.

Bank of England	330	335	+5
Bank of Montreal	42	43	
Barclay "A"	9½	9¾	
Lloyds	50 0	51/6	+1/3
Martins £20 (£5 paid)	7½	8	+ ¼
Midland	67½	68½	
Nat. Prov. (£5 14/- pd.)	1⅛	2⅛	
Standard of South Africa	12/4	12/9	
Westminster	3¼	3⅜	
Do. £4 (£1 paid)	76/6	78/6	
Hong Kong and Shanghai	84	88	+1

BREWERIES AND DISTILLERIES.

6⅛	Bass-Ratcliff Ord.	112/6	114/6 +0/6
17/0	Bfrwers of Wales	17/6	18/6
93/0	Distillers Ord.	65/0	67/0
93/0	Guinness Ord.	77/0	79/0 +0/6
4⅞	Ind Coope Scrip	71/0	73/0
60/0	Watney Combe Pf.	51/0	53/0

DRAPERY AND STORES.

11/6	Burton (M.) Ord.	15⅜	15⅝
16/6	Gamage (A. W.)	14/6	15/6 +0/6
51/0	Harrods Ltd.	39/0	40/0
2⅝	Marks & Spcr.(5/-)	2⅝	2⅝ +0/6
21/3	O.K. Bazaars "A"	23/9	26/3
62/6	Woolworth Ord.	60/6	61/6* +0/0

ELECTRICAL EQUIPMENTS.

39/0	Assoc. El. Indus.	37/6	38/9
71/0	Crompton Parkin.	17/0	18/0
18/0	Elec. Ready (5/-)	16/0	17/0
75/0	General Electric	74/0	75/9
18/0	Henley's Tel. (5/-)	19/0	20/0
21/6	Siemens	19/6	20/6

ELECTRIC SUPPLY.

29/6	City of London	26/6	27/6
39/0	County of London	34/6	36/6 +0/6
23/0	Edmundsons	22/6	23/6 +0/3
—	North Eastern	37/0	38/0 +0/3

INSURANCE.

22	Alliance New	21½	22½
25·	L. & Lan. Fire £5 (£2 paid)	24	25
17⅞	Prudential	14½	14¾
12	Phœnix £10 (£1 p)	13½	14½
31	Prudential	24½	25¾ + ⅜
8	Royal Exchange	7⅞	8
7½	Royal £1 (10/- p.)	7⅜	7⅞ + ⅛
6¼	Sun £1 (5/- pd.)	72/6	74/0

IRON, COAL AND STEEL.

16/8	Allied Iron	21⅜	22½
46/0	Babcock & Wilcox	42/3	43/6 +0/6
5/0	Baldwins	3/9	4/0 +0/3
43/0	Bolsover Colliery	43/9	44/9 +0/6
28/0	Brown (J.) (10/-)	29.0	30/0 +0/6
26/6	B.S.A.	25/6	26/6 +0/6
7/0	Cammell Ld'd (5/-)	7/9	8/3 +0/3
22.0½	Colville Ord. (£1)	21/9	22/9 +0/3
7/4	Consett Iron	6/9	7/3 +0/3
26/0	Cory (William)	25/6	27/6 +1/0
27/0	Dorman, Long	26.0	27/0 +0/6
66/3	Ebbw Vale	62/0	63/9
23/9	Guest, Keen	22/0	23/0 +1/0
25/0	Hadfields (10/-)	25/0	27/0 +1/0
10/9	Pease & Partners	10/9	11/6 +0/1½
26/0	Powell Duffryn	24/6	25/6 +0/6
26/6	Ruston & Hornsby	29/3	30/3 +0/3
30/6	S. Durham Steel	31/0	32/0
28/6	Stewart & Lloyds	41/3	43/6 +0/6
3/3	Thomas (R.)	3/9	4/0 +0/1½
22/6½	United Steel	21/3	22/3 +0/3
17/4	Vickers Ord.	17/9	18/6 +1/1½
—	Staveley	47/9	48/9 +0/9

LAND AND INVESTMENT

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15/6	Forestal Land	22/0	24/0 +0/3
17/6	Hudson's Bay	24/0	25/0 −0/3
23/9	Sudan Plantations	32/0	33/0

MOTORS AND AEROPLANES

4	Austin Motor (5/-)	15/3	16/3
5/6	Bonlton & Paul	4½	5
14/6	Bristol Aero (10/-)	14/9	15/9 +0/6
28/0	De Havilland	30/0	32/0
16/9	Fairey Aviation	15/9	16/9
16/9	Ford Motor	14/9	15/9
1⅝	Handley Page Pf.	1⅝	1⅝
15/6	Hawker Sidd. (5/-)	13/6	14/6 +0/6
32/0	Imperial Airways	33/0	34/6
3/6	Leyland Motors	3⅜	3½ +⅛
30/6	Morris Motors	23/3	24/3 +0/3
5⅛	Rolls Royce	4⅞	4⅞
18/0	Standard	11/0	12/0 +0/3
1⅝	Tilling (Thomas)	1⅝	1⅝

NEWSPAPERS

16/9	Allied News Ord.	12/6	13/6
7/0	Assoc. News Def.	7/3	8/0 +0/1½
17/6	Daily Mail Trust	14/3	15/3 −0/6
5/0	Odhams Press(4/-)	3/0	4/0

OILS

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2⅝	Anglo-IranianOrd.	2⅛	2⅜ +⅛
28/3	Apex Trinidad	26/3	27/3
2¾	Attock	2¼	2½
3⅛	Burmah	3⅛	3⅛ +⅛
7/0	Canadian Eagle	6/1½	6/7½ −0/1½
3/4½	Kern Oil (5/4)	3/1½	3/7½ −0/1½
1⅝	Lobitos	1⅝	1⅝
10/0	Con. & Th. Harv.	9/0	10/0
5/1½	Mexican Eagle	4/4½	5/10½
4/8	Pesuera	3/9	4/3 +0/6
33⅛	Royal Dutch	33¼	34⅛
4¾	Shell Transport	3⅞	3⅞
2⅜	Trinidad Lease	2⅛	2⅜
48/0	Trinidad Pet. Dev.	44/0	48/0
1	W.O.O. Maidings	1⅛	1⅜ +⅛
—	A.P. 9 p.c. 2nd Pf.	29/6	31/6 +0/3
—	Shell T. & T. p.c. Pf.	31/0	33/0 +0/6

TEXTILES AND ART. SILK

5/1½	Bleachers	4/4½	4/10½
3/0	Bradford Dyers	6/6	7/6
3/0	Calico Cleaners	6/6	7/6
4/0	Calico Printers	6/9	7/6 +0/3
4/3	Can. Celanese	6¼	6⅝
3/6	Coats	34/6	36/3 +0/6
28/6	Courtaulds	35/0	36/0 +1/3
25/7½	Fine Sew. Cotton	31/3	32/6 +0/4½
2/6	Jas. Spinners	2/6	2/6
27/3	Patons & Baldwins	57/0	58/0
—	Bradford Prefs.	10/0	10/9 +0/3
—	Ord. Calanese Def.	15/6	17/6 +0/6
—	Sth. Viscose	30/0	32/0 +0/6

TOBACCOS

4⅛	Brit.-Amer. Tob.	4⅜	4⅝ +⅛
6⅛	Carreras A	6⅝	6⅞ +⅛
6⅛	Do. B	6⅝	6⅞ +⅛
—	Imp. Tobacco	8¼	8⅞ +⅜
3⅝	Do. Canada	3½	3⅝
2¾	Tobacco Tst. Ord.	2⅝	2⅞
—	Carreras B (2/6)	14/0	15/0 +0/3

TELEGRAPHS, TELEPHONES

0/10⅜	Baird Tel. Prof.	0/11½	0/7½
1/1⅛	Do. Def.	0/1⅛	0/7½
84	CAW 5% M.	97	99 +1½
48	Do. New Ord.	52½	53½ + ½
97	Gen. 4% Irredeem	92	96
99/0	Marconi Marine	93/6	95/0 −0/6
5⅛	Radio Corp.	6⅛	6⅞

MISCELLANEOUS INDUSTRIALS

9⅝	Assoc. Cement	9⅝	9¾ +⅜
10/9

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FROM THE LEGAL DIARY

LAW NOTICES—Friday, January 19.

AN CHUIRT BHREITHIUNAIS UACHTARACH. (The Supreme Court.)
At 11 o'clock. For Hearing—McLoughlin v. Hall and anor.

CLARATHOIR NA gCOIMICITHE CUIRTE. (The Registrar of Wards of Court.)
Before the Registrar, at 11.30 o'clock.—Exparte Applications—Statement of facts (adj.), Hutchinson Davidson; directions (adj.), Fry and Sons; statement of facts, Collis and Ward; Murphy, a minor, E. F. Neville.

Before Mr. Magahan, at 11 o'clock—Vch. ac., Ryan and O'Brien; do. (11), General Solicitor; sureties, Cartan, O'Meara and Kieran.

AN ARD-CHUIRT BHREITHIUNAIS. (The High Court.)
In Court 6 (at the conclusion of the Bankruptcy List)—Summons—Knox v. Wilson.

BANKRUPTCY.
In Court No. 6, at 11 o'clock—Arrangt., first private sitting, J. Gleeson and Co.; McDonnell and Ryan, final exam., Crowley, Bolger and Cusack; Birmingham, final exam., J. L. Scallan and Co.; Mahon and Roche, audit and divd., D. and T. Fitzgerald; Sherry, audit and divd., Collins and Son; arrangt., audit ac., Thompson and Edwards; Manning, exam. witnesses Collins and Son; Palmer, exam. witness, J. S. O'Connor and Co.

In Court 2—Actions (to fix dates for hearing)—National Union of Railwaymen (Road Transport) v. G.S. Railways Co.; same (Railway Shops) v. same; Provincial Bank of Ireland, Ltd., v. McKeever; Buckley v. Royal Bank of Ireland, Ltd.; O'Connor v. McKeigue (further consideration); McInaney v. An tAire Oideachais (and motion). Motion (at hearing)—Malone and ors. to Greene and Sons.

In Court 3, at 11 o'clock. Probate Motions. Exparte—In the goods of—Denis Carew, decd.; Anne M. Doyle, decd.; Luke Ennis, decd.; Robert H. Hamill, decd.; Bridget Kennedy, decd.; Thomas E. Lloyd, decd.; Thomas McGee, decd. On Notice (at the sitting of the Court)—In the goods of—Terence Dempsey, decd.; Patrick Traynor, decd.

In Court 4, at 11 o'clock—Ex Parte Motions. On Notice—McKeon, petr., McKeon, respdt.; O'Shee v. Bowen; National Bank, Ltd., v. Myers. Summary Summonses—Northern Veneers, Ltd., v. Nevick and Sons, Ltd.; Meagher, Hayes and Co., Ltd., v. Lucey.

MAISTIR NA h-ARD-CHUIRTE. (The Master of the High Court.)
At 11 o'clock—Motions of Course. Summonses—Wheeler v. Knight; Companies Act, Herald Works; Minister for Agriculture v. Flannery; same v. McCarthy; Magill v. Sower; Sweny v. Magrane; Carey v. Creedon; Cork Distilleries Co. v. Cagney; Levington v. Neill; Mooney v. Kenny; Graucol, Ltd., v. McInerney. Motions on Notice—McQuilan v. Smyth; McDonnell v. Munster and Leinster Bank; Walters v. Walters; Sbarrock and Co. v. Cohen.

BANKRUPTCY.
At 12 o'clock—Lemon, prove debts and vouch, W. J. M. Coulter; Hayden, vouch account, C. B. W. Boyle; arrangement, account comp., Collins and Son; Doherty, do., do.; arrangement, settle conditions, Horan and Devine; arrangement, account comp., J. Barrett; Browne, reference, J. J. Early.

OIFIG AN MHAISTIR-MHEASAIREACHTA. (The Taxing Master's Office.)
Master O'Hanlon, at 11 o'clock. Exparte Taxations—Healy v. Dyer, M. Staunton and Son; O'Hanlon v. Rev. Mother Pædun, B. Sullivan and Co.; Jordan and Settled Land Acts, Perolz Morris and Co.; Levin v. Levin, T. G. McVeagh; Woodford, decd., Barrington and Son; Wexford Corporation to O'Connor, M. J. O'Connor and Co.

Master Kennedy, at 11 o'clock—A ward of Court (G.S.), T. R. Wright and Son; a ward of Court (G.S.), Todd and Mark; a ward of Court (G.S.), Carlan, O'Meara and Kieran; Cullen, minors (G.S.), Miley and Miley; a ward of Court, decd. (G.S.), S. Roche; Reilly v. McKeever, J. Kieran; Lawlor v. Electricity Supply Board, Brown and McCann; Electricity Supply Board to Brown, Brown and McCann.

OIFIG AN SCRUDORA. (The Examiner's Office.)
Before Mr. Adderley (Room 104), at 11 o'clock—National Bank, Ltd., v. O'Brien, sign cert.; J. H. Pasley and Co., Pasley v. Pasley, sign cert.; Fitt v. O'Grady, sign cert.; Northern Bank, Ltd., v. Corrigan, sign cert.; Provincial Bank of Ireland, Ltd., v. Smith, sign cert.; Representative Church Body v. St. George's Public Utility Society, sign cert.; Beattie v. Cordner, sign cert.; C. S. F. MacDonogh, decd., Whitehead v. Davis, sign cert.; T. Meagher's Trusts Hanbridge v. Coulter, sign cert.; Boyd v. Neathe, sign cert.; Reilly v. McKeever, sign cert.; J. C. Morgan, decd., Morgan v. Morgan, sign cert.; Ulster Bank v. Culty; Equity and Law Life Assurance Society v. Winterbottom; Faul v. Duffy.

Before Mr. Murphy (Room 17), at 11 o'clock—Doian's Estate.

Before Mr. Greville (Room 103), at 11 o'clock—Battersby v. Wood. L. Waleij, deceased; Walsh v. Walsh. Donovan v. Riordan. T. J. Kenny, deceased; Doyle v. Kavanagh.

CHOIMISIUN TALMHAIN NA hEIREANN. (Irish Land Commission.)
(At Examiners' Chambers, at 93 Merrion square).
Before Mr. Franks, at 11 o'clock—Bank of Ireland, vouch. At 12.30 o'clock—Blennerhassett, vouch.

Before Mr. Sullivan at 11 o'clock—J. S. Hart, vouch. At 3.30 o'clock—Tatchell, discharge rulings.

Before Mr. Grove-White, at 11 o'clock—David Sheriock, vouch.

Before Mr. Jackson, at 3 o'clock—C. F. Charlton discharge rulings. At 4 o'clock—Ladmore.

Before Mr. Naish, at 3 o'clock—Hamilton, vouch. (At 89 Merrion square).

Before Mr. Ryan, at 11 o'clock—Hannah Morrison, vouch. At 12 o'clock—John Brennan, discharge rulings. At 3 o'clock—F. M. Langford, discharge rulings and settle schedule.

Before Mr. Tyrrell, at 11 o'clock—J. O'Sullivan, vouch.

Before Miss Phelan, at 11 o'clock—T. Kelly; Wm. Newman. At 3 o'clock—Sewell and another, vouch.

Before Mr. P. Byrne, at 11 o'clock—Valentine